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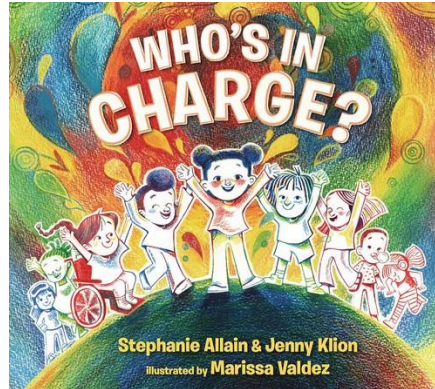
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Fiction

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PreK-3



**Book Review:
WHO'S IN CHARGE?**

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Do you enjoy your personal space? Do others have expectations of how you should move and accept another's touch? This book brings to light that we are in charge of ourselves. It is a beautifully written book with a simple message: I am in charge of me. Have you asked who is in charge of your toes or nose? Of course, you are the one in charge of them and of your hips, eyes, and many other aspects of you.

The illustrations make a colorful rendition of the idea of being in charge. The book employs a rainbow theme colored with crayons to match the emphasis of children being in charge of themselves. Various layouts are used to align with the concept on each page. For example, when the nose is addressed, the illustration is a close-up of a child with a butterfly on her nose, while the section on hips shows several children across the two pages who are using hula hoops in various ways. The book has a positive focus on children, the names of body parts, and how children are the ones who make the decisions about how their parts are to be used.

