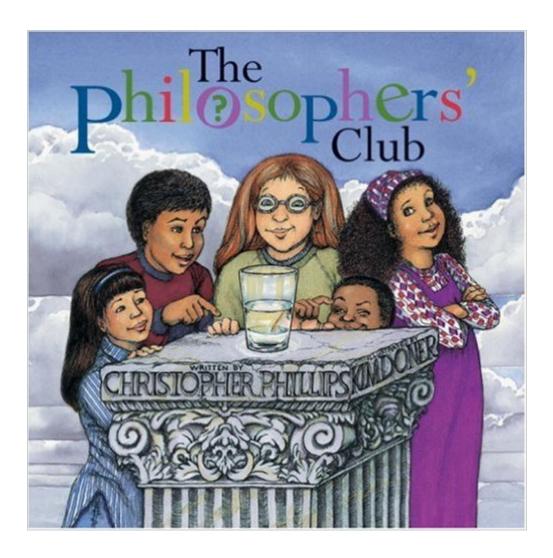
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# **The Philosophers' Club**





### Synopsis

What is silence? What is wisdom? How do you know you're here? Socratic dialogueâ "for kids? At least the answer to this last question is an easy, resounding Yes! The rest you'll have to think about and discuss with your friends, which is just what philosopher Christopher Phillips is hoping for. He has long been leading thinkers of all ages on a thoughtful and thought-filled quest for knowledge, and this picturebook models for young children that mulling over some of life's big questions can be done anytime, anywhere. A finalist for the Oklahoma Book Award in the design/illustration category.  $\hat{a} \notin A$  novel teacher resource. $\hat{a} \notin$  Educators, please visit our Resources section, above, for teaching guides and curricula. $\hat{A}$ 

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#### **Customer Reviews**

I am eager to try this book with some of my classes, but I haven't used it yet. I like the format - first he takes you through a discussion of a particular question and then he asks a lot of related questions. I have been looking for a book that would help children explore significant questions about their world. This may help.

"The Philosophers' Club" is a fantastic effort to lead students into a thinking mode. Christopher Phillips took his text from his own teaching experience with students. Sort of text out of context. If another classroom or homeschool teacher or parent wants to adapt this text per se, I think they will have difficulty. They will need to read other background philosophy books to even understand what Mr. Phillips is attempting because "The Philosophers' Club" reads like the conclusion of a unit Mr. Phillips taught. However, I applaud his efforts to teach children the deeper meaning of wisdom, how to think, how to ask questions, how to discuss potential answers, and how not to take things for granted. All of his goals are worthy.Here are just a few books that could be used in conjuction with "The Philosophers' Club." After all, one needs a text to have a context! One needs information before a club can be established.Young Person's Guide to PhilosophyThe Examined Life: Advanced Philosophy for KidsWise Guy: The Life and Philosophy of SocratesPhilosophy and the Young Child (Harvard Paperbacks)

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