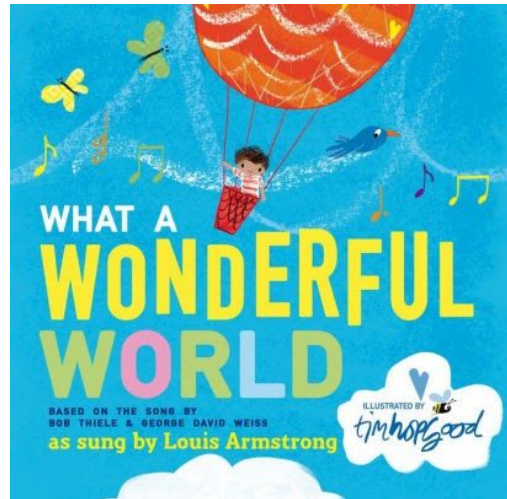


Book Review: *What a Wonderful World*
Based on the Song by Bob Thiele & George Weiss
As sung by Louis Armstrong

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What a Wonderful World is a simple story of one of the most beloved songs to date. Louis Armstrong brought it to life vocally, and this book brings it to life visually. It can be sung to the classroom, pre-recorded and shown, or you can play the Louis Armstrong version while showing the illustrations. There could be a greater discussion about Louis Armstrong's place in American Jazz music. The song definitely has a great vocal range that you can discuss with your students.

The book has a deeper lyrical meaning to it. I used this book last spring when we were remote teaching, and I sent it out to all grade levels. The amount of response I got from students and parents was incredibly special during a difficult time for all. The lyrical meaning behind this song can inspire us to appreciate the little things and embrace the beauty in everyone.