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**Luna, Tom. I See the World/Yo veo el mundo
Christina Song, Illus. Pic. Bk.**

Lectura, 2012. 24p. PB \$8.95 978-1-60448-020-7

LOW ADDITIONAL GRADES TOD-K



In this bilingual book, author Luna describes different scenes in, and aspects of the world seen through kids' eyes, using vocabulary lists presented, in alternating statement-and-question format. Lectura Books claims their goal to be "the nation's only bilingual children's book publisher dedicated to Parent Involvement," However, I See the World merely a presents different views and scenes; it sadly lacks plot development, any tension in a storyline, or character creation. The illustrations are pleasant depictions of the vocabulary words, and the use of different colors for different words adds clarity for young learners. It is great to have the writing in both English and Spanish, but if the scenes had more energy and perhaps some plot and characters, to carry the vocabulary lesson forward it would be more fun for the readers.

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