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The Red Bicycle: The Extraordinary Story of One Ordinary Bicycle

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Illustrated by Simone Shin

Toronto: Kids Can Press, 2015

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This story follows the life of a red bicycle, named Big Red. It begins in the hands of a young boy in a small North American town who eventually donates his beloved bike to a charity that brings them overseas. The bike journeys to Africa and into the hands of a young girl who uses to provide for her family until it is repurposed into an ambulance from another village. The story explores how the action of one young boy influences the lives of people around the world. The end of the book includes information on how other kids can donate their bikes to people in third world countries, providing healthy and cost-efficient transportation. The story is a little longer and more text based, so would not be good for very young children. This book would be great to use in a classroom to help educate elementary school kids of how to help others around the world.

Recommended. Sharon Tapia, Centennial Library Intern