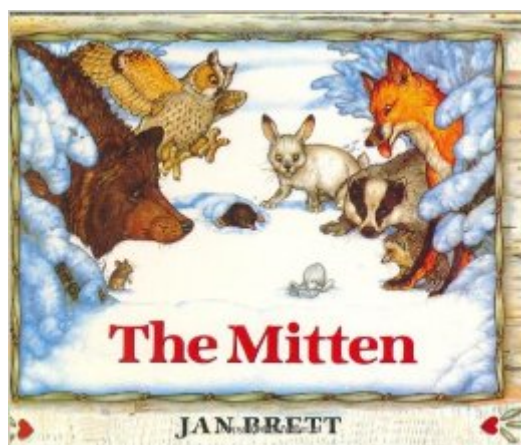


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The Mitten



Synopsis

"Grandmother knits snow-white mittens that Nikki takes on an adventure. Readers will enjoy the charm and humor in the portrayal of the animals as they make room for each newcomer in the mitten and sprawl in the snow after the big sneeze." -The Horn Book

Book Information

Age Range: 1 - 3 years

Lexile Measure: 800L (What's this?)

Board book: 32 pages

Publisher: G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers (October 4, 1996)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0399231099

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Product Dimensions: 6.1 x 0.8 x 5 inches

Shipping Weight: 8.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 starsÂ Â See all reviewsÂ (337 customer reviews)

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Customer Reviews

I bought this a few years ago on the strength of all the good reviews on .com, but my toddler/pre-school daughter never really liked the book much, and the illustrations never grabbed her. This year I bought the Jan Brett Christmas Treasury--a collection of her winter and Christmas stories--even though I was sorry that The Mitten was a duplicate. Then I discovered what a difference the format makes! The illustrations on 11 x 11-inch pages are eye-popping and reveal the story so much better. And what the description here doesn't tell you is that the text in the board book is *abridged,* which simplifies the story line to a bare minimum and doesn't connect the illustrations together as well. Spring for the hardbound full-size or used paperback full-size, or spend not much more for the many books in the Christmas Treasury and you'll get a better read for your money!

As a kindergarten teacher, I am always on the lookout for ways to incorporate literature into my everyday lessons. Jan Brett's The Mitten is a must for the first day of winter. The children love the illustrations and guessing how many animals will fit into the mitten. They "read" the book to each

other long after the lesson is over. The class also publishes their own book about what could fit in their mitten. The Mitten is a delightful story with predictability and loveable animal characters.

Currently my children's favorite book, The Mitten scores on several levels. First, the art is wonderful. Seven or eight animals are pictured in the book (and very well drawn) which makes it a visual feast. Each two page spread also includes two smaller "summary" and "foreshadowing" pictures that relate to the previous and following page. It makes for a spread that has a lot of possibilities for young pre-readers in terms of connecting the story and describing what each character has done and will be doing. The tale itself is whimsical and amuses the pre-school set. A fine children's book.

My two and a half year old granddaughter made me read this story over and over. She wouldn't take off the mittens, even wearing them to bed. The pictures are wonderful and if played up by the reader, they increase the interest in the story. This would be a great Christmas present.

I ordered this because I was having difficulty finding the original THE MITTEN from my childhood. This re-telling kills the beautiful original message of giving and sharing. In the original, the cricket invites all of the animals into the mitten out of kindness--it's the coldest day of the winter and she feels sorry for them. In this version, each of the animals feels "bullied" into letting the next animal in out of fear. Ugly! And what a terrible message in this day and age, when bullying is such an issue. I would never recommend this book when the original is still available. And something about the simpler drawings in the original allows the story to truly shine, as it should. This version is pretty, but hollow.

This is another great retelling by Jan Brett. I read this book to my second grade class every year. You can download a mitten and the animals from the story at Jan Brett's web site. After I read this delightful story to my class, the children color the animals and cut them out along with the mitten. I read the story again and they act it out with their animals. They take the mitten and animals home to do a retelling with their families. The children absolutely love this story and the activities.

My one-year old loves this book. The picture of the mouse joining the other animals in the mitten never fails to crack him up. This is his favorite book to "read" to himself and I can understand why - the illustrations are lively, and funny, and the pages are packed with detail.

This book about a group of animals who burrow into a well-crafted mitten dropped in the snow by a Ukrainian boy is a delightful tale about companionship and sharing. Jan Brett's illustrations are once again intricate, realistic, and beautiful in detail, especially her renderings of the animals. A wonderful addition to any child's library.

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