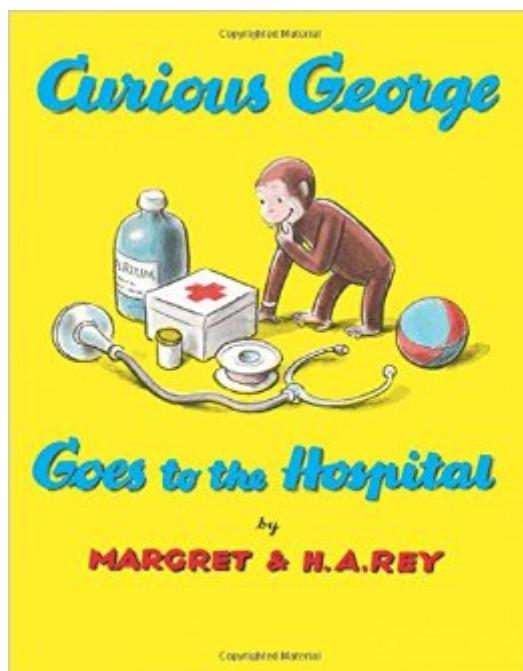


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# Curious George Goes To The Hospital



## Synopsis

Readers learn all about the hospital as George goes in for an operation to remove a puzzle piece he has eaten.

## Book Information

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Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

How can you not LOVE Curious George? He brings back such wonderful memories of my youth and the youth of my son. I actually purchased this book for my son. I read it to him when I was going to be staying at the hospital for more than a month for my very first big surgery. It helped him to not be afraid and to not cry when I was there. I also bought him a curious George doll that he brought with him every single time he visited me. He's no longer afraid of hospitals and my cancer has been in remission for quite a while. I love this book and so does my son...bitter sweet memories for the both of us, but a great teaching tool.

This is without a doubt the best book in the Curious George series. George mistakenly eats a jigsaw puzzle piece, thinking that it might be candy. When his stomach starts to hurt the next morning, the Man in the Yellow Hat takes him to the hospital. What follows is a very detailed account of all the things that a child might expect to encounter while undergoing a simple surgery. George encounters

everything from x-rays to shots to a somewhat painful recovery as he sets up residence for a couple of days in the children's ward. There is some excitement toward the end, as George commandeers a go-cart and crashes into a dining cart (in front of the visiting mayor, no less), but the emphasis is definitely on the workings of a hospital from the perspective of a young patient. As a young child, I enjoyed some of the imagery in this book, such as the jigsaw puzzle and a puppet show that George puts on for the child patients using all four limbs at once. The illustrations are very good as always. Other books in this series are nothing special, in my opinion, but I thought that this book provided a great example for children who might be worried about a visit to the doctor or hospital. This is a good read for any child, and a must-read for a child with a visit to the hospital in the future.

My son had to be in the hospital for a major surgery. This book helped calm his fears. It was the only book I could find that covered surgery and time at the hospital. This helped my son not be afraid of his big day. I am so glad this book exists. Curious George is a much loved character in our home. That also helped.

I was worried that the book would be censored, but it is as I remember it. My favorite part is when that silly little monkey gets tanked on the Ether. Ain't medicine grand?

I had this book growing up, and now that I have a child who is obsessed with Curious George due to the PBS TV show, I wanted to share this sweet, simple story with him. Yes, the description of the hospital stay is antiquated, but the overall message stands the test of time - that doctors make you feel better and the hospital need not be scary.

This book is a must for any child having surgery. My young son had open heart surgery this summer and even though this book wasn't about heart surgery specifically it helped me explain what he could expect. We are still reading it almost every day and my son keeps asking questions. It has kept the dialogue open as he is still processing his surgery and recovery.

As a young child this book was my absolute favorite bedtime story. My mother always had to read Curious George to me, in order for me to sleep. Of all his books, Curious George Goes to the Hospital was my favorite. Why? Well some may say it was because of the humor, others the accurate hospital descriptions, but to me it was because I was a little Curious George. When I was two and a half years old, I stuck macaroni up my nose and had to go to the hospital - while there, a

nurse gave my mother a copy of Curious George Goes to the Hospital. Being a big Curious George fan, I instantly fell in love with the book and the irony that George went to the hospital because he, like me, played with things not meant for certain parts of our body. As a rambunctious toddler, I related with George. He was like me, small, curious, and ever-getting into mischief. For me, even now, as a 15 year old, Curious George Goes to the Hospital remains my favorite childrens book. In fact, in my acting class, one assignment was to read a children's book to the class. Curious George was my choice, and the class loved it. I hope others will read this book and relate to George like I did and do. No matter how old you are, there is a little Curious George in all of us - and a missing puzzle piece. For me, re-discovering this book solved my puzzle.

I think this book is great. In my opinion, it is very educational to youngsters as to what a hospital is like. If you're a small child who is scared to go to the hospital, this is the perfect book for you.

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