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Wake Up, Sun! (Step-Into-Reading, Step 2)



Synopsis

Illus. in full color. "A comedy about a menagerie of barnyard animals who mistakenly think the sun has forgotten to rise. Designed for children just beginning to read, the story's vocabulary is simple, yet is smoothly written. A good choice."--Booklist.Â Â

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

Customer Reviews

If you don't like to see guns pop up unexpectedly in children's books then don't buy this one. I was thoroughly disappointed to see a gun come into play towards the end of what was, until that point, a nice story.

Large text with delightful watercolor illustrations make this book very appealing to young readers. Dog is woken up in the middle of the night by a flea biting his ear. He thinks it must be time to get up so goes to find pig but where is the sun? Each time they search somewhere for the sun and go wake up another animal until the entire farm is awake!Hearing the noise, the farmer thinks that there is a fox in the hen house so naturally shoots his gun out the window to scare it off. There is NOTHING scary about the gun. This is a natural reaction when living on a farm and you are trying to

protect your livestock. When the sun appears who do the animals think has woken it up? A lovely ending to this great farm story.

This was the favorite book of my oldest son, now in his 30's. It is now a favorite book of my grandson. Illustrations are adorable. My grandson asks me every time we read it on the Kindle to expand the pictures to look at them more closely. The story has a definitive beginning, middle and end - something that seems to be missing in so many simple children's books. Dog wakes up in the middle of the night thinking it's daytime, but where is the sun?! He wakes up other farm animals to help him find the sun. In all the commotion, Farmer's baby is awoken ... just as the sun rises. The animals are convinced Farmer's baby woke up the sun and lavish her with appreciative affection. "Read it again, Nana!"

This book is by far my one year old son's favorite book. We originally received it as a hand-me-down, but after reading it so frequently I ordered a new copy. This time I got the turtleback version. It's quite nice - the pages are all the same size as the paperback, but the cover is hard. Similar to the standard Dr. Seuss books. (No jacket, but those get messed up, torn and lost on children's books anyway.) It might not be worth the extra cost for most home libraries, but if it is your child's favorite book, then it's definitely worth it. On a side note, yes the farmer has a gun. But so does Yosemite Sam (I use his voice when narrating the farmer's lines), Tex Avery, kids in E.T. played with toy guns.. take it however you like...

One of the best books my three year old has. Great story and he has a blast reading it with me. Sad is that people are really that upset over a gun. First of all, if you are an ACTUAL farmer and you had a fox in your hen house (which, don't forget, eggs are a part of their income) what ELSE would you do? Run up to it and scare it? Really? Generally speaking, if ALL your animals at your farm are making a commotion, there is something wrong. That being said, he never actually fired the gun AT anything. Look at where he is pointing the barrel. To the sky. It was a scare tactic...and that was all. Let's move into the real world people. That is all...

Wake Up, Sun! is another early reader book we explored recently to hone my six-year-old son's reading skills. Like My Loose Tooth, our copy is an older version that's labeled "Step 1," while newer editions have the label "Step 2." Of course, it's also published by Random House. I'm curious as to why they changed their level system. The story follows the adventures of four barnyard animals as

they search for the sun early one morning. Dog, Pig, Cow, and Chicken cannot figure out why the sun hasn't awakened, and try to make as much noise as possible to wake up the sun. It is common knowledge that children are fascinated by animal sounds, and the narrative in this book includes each character's unique call. This guarantees young readers will find this little story exceptionally appealing. When you are deciphering words like "oink" and "moo," it's pretty difficult to keep a straight face. The watercolor illustrations make for adorable characterizations. The text is large and clear, and the story is perfectly appropriate for preschoolers. Depending on your child's maturity level, it may be a bit juvenile for first graders, however. The strange thing is that it lists its intended age group as baby to preschool, but it's a Stage 2 book. I doubt many babies are reading at a Stage 2 level. Maybe this would be a good book for an older sibling to read aloud to a younger brother or sister.

My toddler loves this book more than any other! I hadn't thought twice about the appearance of the gun in the story... maybe because I grew up on a farm and that is just how it is. My daughter and I like to think the farmer was shooting out the window to quieten down all the noise the animals were making, not to shoot a fox. If he were going to shoot the fox he would have gone to the hen house, ya know? If your toddler loves farm animals and loves to make corresponding animal sounds, this is a good buy! Not too long of a story for a toddler to follow and plenty of openings for questions!

This is a very very sweet level 2 storybook for readers... whether they are independent readers or like us a non reader looking at the illustrations as I read to them. Great farm animals and farm background story. The animals all wake up a bit too early, so they each try and wake the sun up...but oh no they wake up the farmer which in turn wakes up baby! The animals later love the baby because they know she is the one that can wake the sun up. Cute book to incorporate the animal sounds, animals on a farm, and that animals can be okay for children to interact with. Love this book and will be checking it out again...

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