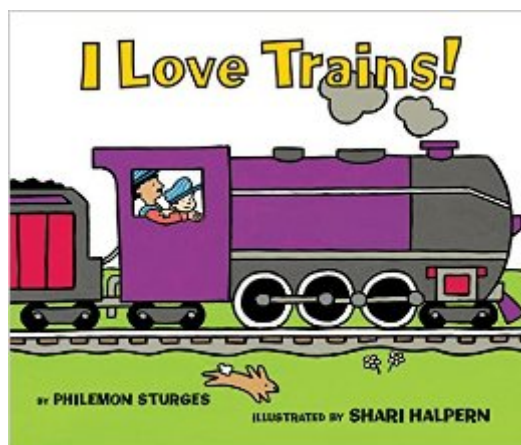


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I Love Trains!



Synopsis

I love trains
First come engines, big and strong
Pulling lots of cars along.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 220 (What's this?)

Board book: 28 pages

Publisher: HarperFestival (May 23, 2006)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0060837748

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Product Dimensions: 0.8 x 5 x 6 inches

Shipping Weight: 6.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (63 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 3 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

Customer Reviews

If someone in your house loves trains, they will find a kindred spirit in the little boy who narrates this delightful book. He tells us what he likes about a passing train ("I like trains that hoot and roar/as they rumble by my door"), and the surprise at the end is sweet. Illustrations are bright, outlined scenes in a rural setting. Some illustrations are very simple and others are filled with activity. The boy's dad is mentioned and seen in the story, nice for kids to see. And, as a bonus, the endpages show and describe the various kinds of train cars -- the tender and engine, a hopper, boxcar, flatcars, a tanker, gondolas and the caboose. This is a deceptively simple book that can be a joy and an enrichment for you and your little train lover.

A little "engineer", complete with striped hat, watches out the window as a long train rolls by. As every car crosses each two page spread of this book, he tells us about what it's used for and what it might be carrying. And as the caboose finally rounds the bend, we all get to see why this little boy loves trains..... Philemon Sturges has written a delightful picture book that will charm and amuse all young train lovers. His simple, gentle, happy text, told in rhyme and full of rhythm and motion is complemented by Shari Halpern's large, bold, childlike illustrations and small children will enjoy the

color and detail. With additional information about trains and their cars on the inside front and back covers, I Love Trains is perfect for pre-schoolers and future engineers, everywhere.

My 2 1/2 year old son has loved this book for over a year, and has it completely memorized. I have taped the pages so many times, I am going to have to break down and buy another one. The inside cover naming all the different types of train cars is awesome. You have to have this book, it is THE BEST.

I LOVE TRAINS is a reading one-on-one book, but it's really two books in one. The first is a simple book that lets the child learn to read, telling about the uses of different kinds of cars on trains. But it's also a great picture book. The illustrations are colorful, fun, and contain lots of interesting things to look at. Several of the pictures are excellent for sitting with a child and making up a story, or for asking the child "What do you see in this picture? What's going on?" A great Rx for the imagination.

I bought this book as a Christmas present for my 3 year old nephew who loves trains. He was so excited about this book! We read each page together, me reading and pointing to the words and then him reading while I pointed to the words. The text is so simple that after we read the book once, he practically had it memorized and was really impressed that he could "read" the book. As a Kindergarten teacher, I know that this is one of the first steps to actually reading, so I was very pleased that this book could offer this for him. Also, the page with the "secret stuff" seemed to be a space shuttle or airplane, covered with an American flag. At least that's what I thought, and my nephew (who also loves space stuff and airplanes) thought the same. I also got the book "This Train" to go with this book and I would give it 5 stars as well.

The illustrations in this book are cute, colorful and age appropriate. The text is very basic, suitable for young toddler, but not for children over 3 years old. My 2-year old son, who loves trains, loves this book, and we read it often. The flow of the text is nice enough for reading aloud to him. As a mom, I wish there was more of story or at least more information, like the names of the train cars, within the book. There are informative pages inside both the front and back covers, but they are not part of the book text. If you are looking for a fun, quick read for a young toddler who enjoys trains, this would be a good book. If you are looking for an educational read or something for an older child, then I would pass on this book.

I stumbled upon this one at my local library. This is a cute poem about train lovers and it has large childlike pictures. There's even additional information about trains on the back and front inside covers which is cool. My son loves the rhymes and insists on me reading the facts and points out things he knows about trains. This inside cover facts are great way for engaging your child about trains, outside of the story itself. BTW: The "secret stuff under wrap" is a space shuttle, not a weapon as the one reviewer thought. It's a children's book after all! Don't let one clueless reviewer's comments deter you from a great book. Check it out at your local library and see for yourself ... and then buy a copy.

My kids like the book, but it is not one that they dig out of the pile to bring to me. The train book has a very simple story involving trains and each of the train cars is a very distinct different color (very nice for asking "where is the color _____?") All in all not a bad train book, just not great.

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