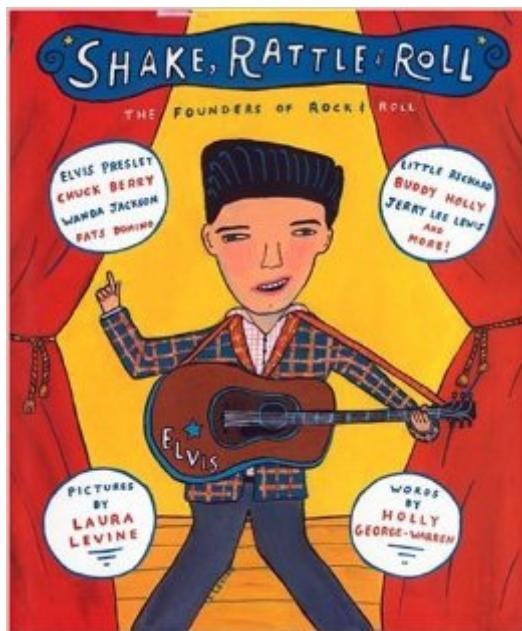


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# Shake, Rattle And Roll: The Founders Of Rock And Roll



## **Synopsis**

Rock and roll around the clock with this fun and fact-filled introduction to the pioneers of rock and roll. Read about fourteen of the original stars of rock and roll — from Bill Haley and His Comets to James Brown and his Famous Flames — and learn how, nearly fifty years ago, they created a brand-new sound. These artists influenced a generation of teenagers and inspired many of today's most important musicians. Bright, lively, and hip illustrations combined with concise and informational text make this a sure number-one hit with music buffs of all ages.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

What a wonderful, fun book about rock n roll and Elvis. I borrowed this book from the library to read to a group of senior citizens and they loved it. I bought one for myself to have for the next time I want to do a musical program. I also brought along my ipod and played some of the music he talked about in the book.

Renowned music journalist Holly George-Warren expertly tells the tales of the pioneers of rock and roll, illuminating hardscrabble aspects of each musician's early life. Kids and parents alike will appreciate how these colorful characters overcame obstacles and through hard work, help from friends and family, and opportunities seized, they changed the face of popular culture. Reading the

stories to kids can help educate about both history and music alike. Laura Levine's playful and highly original illustrations create an inviting landscape where one's imagination can soar.

This is an extremely cool book, designed to introduce young readers to some of the founding artists of rock and roll. Holly George-Warren is one of my favorite rock writers (and also previously fronted the punk/polka Das Furlines), so I know I'm in good hands with HER. The illustrations by Laura Levine are brilliant and simple, in an "outsider art" style, depicting each artist (Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Wanda Jackson, Bill Haley) performing, and surrounded by symbols (and cymbals) of their careers, including famous song titles. The Jerry Lee Lewis picture has a piano keyboard as a frame. Kids will love it, and adults will enjoy the subtleties of the art. I'm probably going to keep one for myself, and give another to my young godson on his upcoming birthday.

I ordered this book to be used as a guest book for a rockabilly wedding. The guests were instructed to write a little something and sign anywhere they liked. The bride and groom wanted something more interesting than the traditional guest book which gets packed away and never looked at again. This book was perfect! The written snapshots of the musicians were fun and informative and the artwork was lighthearted and non-conventional. This is fun for adults and kids!

Perfect book to parallel a unit of oral histories. Rock and roll-everyone has something to say about it. Students will get into the originality of the pictures. Parents and children can read together the well-written material about the hottest names in music history. It has everything to get students to the top of the new standards while connecting with their families and friends!

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