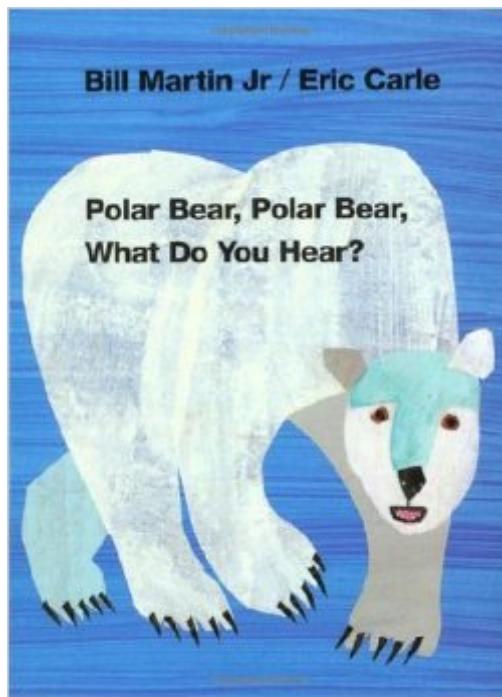


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# Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? (Brown Bear And Friends)



## **Synopsis**

What will you hear when you read this book to a preschool child? Lots of noise! Children will chant the rhythmic words. They'll make the sounds the animals make. And they'll pretend to be the zoo animals featured in the book-- look at the last page! Bill Martin Jr. and Eric Carle are two of the most respected names in children's education and children's illustrations. This collaboration, their first since the classic *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* (published more than thirty years ago and still a best-seller) shows two masters at their best. A Redbook Children's Picture Book Award winner. The rollicking companion to *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?*

## **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 670L (What's this?)

Series: Brown Bear and Friends

Board book: 28 pages

Publisher: Henry Holt and Co. (BYR); BRDBK edition (September 15, 1997)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 4.9 x 0.6 x 7.1 inches

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## **Customer Reviews**

This is a fun interactive book about the animals in the zoo and the sounds they make. It's a great vocabulary builder, since it uses words that small kids may not hear every day. The book is quite enjoyable for kids who like animals, and not at all scary. The story may get kids wound up, however, so it might not be the best choice for a bedtime story. The book has about 200 words.

Okay, so you might not be able to make the sounds of the animals (what does a walrus and flamingo really sound like anyway?) but the words they use in this book really help out. With words

like "snarling" or "hissing" or "yelping" or trumpeting", it's easy to change your voice and use your body and face to "become" the appropriate animal when you read those words. My 2-year old daughter listened carefully when I read the book for the first time, then took the book and "read" it back to me. Well, she only got the "(animal name), (animal name), what do you see?" as she paged through the book but it only took a few more days before she pretty much memorized all the lines. This only happens with a few books (like The Napping House or Clothesline) so I was pretty surprised. I think it's great for kids to learn other animal names, like peacock and hippopotamus, and other words like for the sounds they make. It gets tiring to always read about puppies and kittens or farm and jungle animals.

Small children (18 mos-4yrs) will enjoy mimicking the animal sounds and following along with the melody of this tale. The repetition of the story, as with many of Mr. Carle's books, helps my 2-yr old child participate and enjoy the reading experience to the fullest. These are his favorite books.

Your two and a half year old can read this book by him/herself after you read it with them a few times! It is my daughter's favorite just like the Brown Bear, Brown Bear what do you see? book by the same author. The kids like to peep at the next page and see which animal it next and then read it. They learn a lot of new words from this book such as hissing, braying, bellowing, etc. And the most impressive thing is my daughter has learnt how to pronounce certain hard words from this author's books and she does just fine. At her age, she can actually say "boa constrictor" (one of the animals in the book) very clearly and with such innocence she reads the third last page as follows: "zoo peeker, zoo peeker, what do you hear? instead of zookeeper zookeeper! Thank you Bill Martin Jr and Eric Carle, for creating this book. I have had this book for months and my daughters still love it. It is nothing but the BEST !!!!

My 15-month old son whose favorite book has been Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You see? has found a new favorite in Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You hear? He shrieks with delight as he hears us make the animal sounds and sees the colorful illustration, Mr. Carle is so well known for. My question is, What next? When can we expect the next in series of wonderful tales of animals living in perfect harmony, accompanied by the beautiful illustrations??

This companion book to Carle's "Brown Bear, Brown Bear" is another winner. Rather than focusing on the visual, it focuses on the auditory: "Polar Bear, Polar Bear, what do you hear? I hear a lion,

roaring in my ear; lion, lion, what do you hear..." The illustrations are big and captivating and the phrasing hard to beat for young children learning how to read. Along with Brown Bear, my 3 Â Â year old memorized this book after just a few readings and now reads it aloud to anyone who will listen. My only very tiny complaint is the choice of words in two cases: does a peacock really "yelp" or does a flamingo really "flute." Not sure about that. In any case, this is a classic.

My 22 month old got 'brown bear brown bear' when she was 18 months and since then she has absolutely byhearted the book and recites it even when woken from sleep. Oh she also includes her own lyrics like 'Mickey Mickey what do you see' or 'ducky ducky what do you see' 'mummy mummy what do you see'. Unfortunately the book was a paperback and it was so loved by her that it ended up in shreds. I wanted to replace it with a board book but didn't want to buy the same book and was scrolling down.... when.... tada!!!! 'Polar bear polar bear what do you hear!!???' I knew she would love it and she does... She hisses like a 'boconstitor' flutes like a 'famingo' and yelps like a peacock!! I can't be happier. Do buy!

My son loved the brown bear book so much I had to get this one & it's a winner in our house as well. It took him awhile to say "what do you hear" instead of "what do you see" but once he got it he loved it. Some of the animals were a little more advanced than brown bear though but he still enjoyed it.

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