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The Quiet Book Padded Board Book



Synopsis

All quiet is not created equal. In this irresistibly charming picture book, many different quiet moments are captured, from the anticipation-heavy "Top of the roller coaster quiet" to the shocked-into-silence "First look at your new hairstyle quiet." The impossibly sweet bears, rabbits, fish, birds, and iguanas are all rendered in soft pencils and colored digitally, and, as in all of the best picture books, the illustrations propel the story far beyond the words. A sure-to-be-a-classic bedtime favorite.
Awards: 2011 ALA Notable Children's Book, 2010 "2011, New York Times bestseller, 2011 CCBC Choices, 2011 NCTE Notable Children's Trade Book, 2010 New York Times Notable Book, 2010 Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year, 2010 School Library Journal Best Book of the Year

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Customer Reviews

When so many contemporary Children's Books seem to appeal more to parents than kids, it was quite refreshing to come across this little gem! "The Quiet Book", by Deborah Underwood with illustrations by Renata Liwska, is a perfect example of what a picture book should be. The irresistibly charming art complements the spare text beautifully. It's a deceptively simple book that reveals more with each reading. Although the title might suggest that this is strictly a bedtime storybook, it's really all about the different kinds of "quiet time" a child experiences throughout the day.

The Quiet Book is a precious collection of *different kinds of quiet* such as coloring-in-the-lines-quiet and trying-not-to-hiccup-quiet. The illustrations are a soft palate of earthy pastels and the child-animals are absolutely adorable. There are a couple of reasons why I truly love this book and would highly recommend. 1) It's an entertaining way to help children notice when quiet arises naturally. 2) This book encourages children to discover the emotions behind different kinds of quiet - be it contentment or nervousness, excitement or silent awe. It also makes a perfect gift for the friend in your life (no matter how old) who might need a meditation on quiet and where it can be found. In a world of ever-increasing noise and stimulus, this book is a very special one.

This is a wondrous book about all the different kinds of quiet there are for kids. Happy quiet and worried quiet, scared quiet and "was I being naughty?" quiet. I have to declare an interest, since I am Deborah Underwood's brother in law. Which means I have had the privilege of knowing the book for many years in draft form (you have NO idea how long it takes for children's picture books to come out.) The book has always been brilliant but I didn't imagine how great the pictures would be to go with it. In short I think this is a great book and I don't think you or your children will be disappointed.

The perfect combo of art and text, this wonderful book is for anyone (big or small) who wants a respite from today's busy - and loud - world. A beautiful little book destined to become a classic!

I love children's stories that are short with their words but big in their meaning. The Quiet Book is a perfect blend of soft, effective imagery coupled with simple yet very familiar language that quickly draws in readers young and old. Its message is loud and clear and anyone who reads this story will easily relate to several of its passages. The animal characters are soft and wonderful and each one from the iguana to the bear that drops his jelly sandwich is sweet and lovable. Such a warm and comforting story - perfect for reading before bed or while you are curling up with your young ones on a rainy/snowy day. Lovely work.

There are all types of quiet--happy quiet, sad quiet, fun quiet and uh-oh quiet. Deborah Underwood captures them with her sweet text and Renata Liwska brings them to life with soft (quiet) illustrations. This book doesn't yell and roar. It grabs you instead with its softness, making you think and smile. A very good thing to do with a little one you love. This is a book I love to read again and

again. So will you.

My daughter and I read this book before naptime, a definite "quiet" time and it helps her unwind and get ready for sleep. The illustrations are so sweet and beautiful. I highly recommend this book to all the parents out there!

The little brown bunny stretched, touched his toes and was quiet because no one else was awake. It was a time for silence because "there are many kinds of quiet." Sometimes it is time for youngsters to be noisy, but other times . . . sssshhh. The little brown bunny touched his hand lightly to his forehead as bear's jelly sandwich hit the floor, "jelly side down." Sssshhh! It's nice for two friends to sit quietly and listen to a robin sing his song. Whispering secrets, coloring quietly (in the lines of course), thinking up a good reason to tell Mommy why you have been naughty, and playing hide-and-seek are times to be quiet. Sssshhh! When the little moose was sitting on a bench holding his lunch box waiting for a ride home, he was very quiet. Swimming under the water is a special bubbly kind of quiet, but when the nurse is going to give you a shot it's definitely "pretending you're invisible quiet." Quiet times are when you suck on a lollipop when you're feeling under the weather, the shock of seeing your haircut in the mirror, keeping quiet when your little sister is sleeping, or trying not to make a peep when your yell "SURPRISE" at a birthday party. There are all kinds of special quiet times. Can you think of one? This utterly charming book is one of those perfect bedtime books that will be cherished for years to come. It seemed like every little sssshhh moment was exquisitely and gently captured in both the text and the artwork. The artwork meshed perfectly with the "quiet" theme and the cast of adorable animals were captivating. My favorite scene was the little brown bunny and the iguana nestled together in bed in a darkened room . . . "What flashlight?" This is the type of book that childhood memories are made of. This lovely book is one that will definitely make its way into many hearts . . . and onto many wish lists!

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