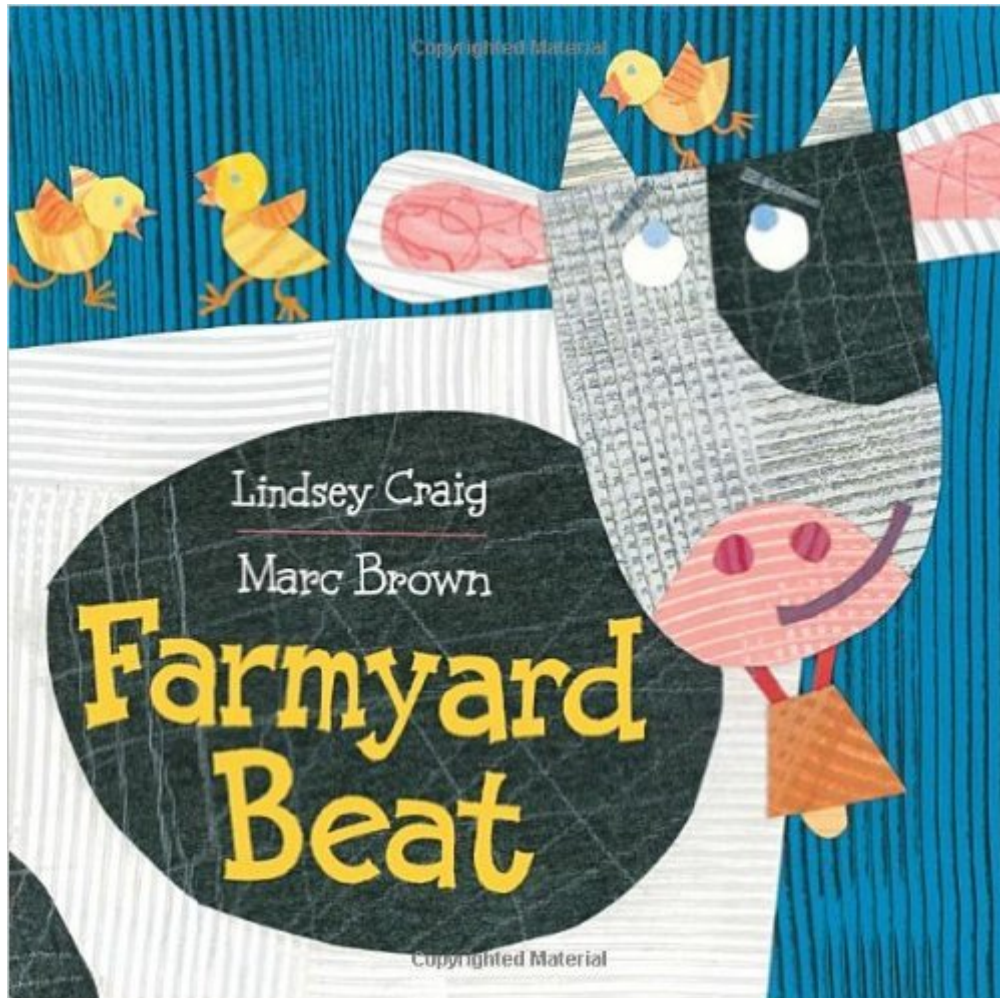


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# Farmyard Beat



## Synopsis

Author Lindsey Craig teams up with Arthur creator and bestselling artist Marc Brown in a toe-tapping farmyard dance-a-thon "perfect for toddler and preschooler read-alouds. As soon as the sun goes down, the animals are up! ("Sheep can't sleep. Sheep can't sleep. Sheep can't sleep 'cause they got that beat!") Before long, there's a giant farmyard dance party, complete with funny animal sounds. But what happens when all the racket wakes up Farmer Sue? Here's a colorful bedtime story that begs to be read aloud. From the Hardcover edition.

## Book Information

Board book: 32 pages

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Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.7 x 6 inches

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

My two year old loves this story. We read him a few books a day and this is one of his favorites. He likes the illustration and it's a good book to read in the morning or before bed. I have no problem recommending this to fellow parents and parents to be. Two thumbs up!

Purchased this after Dancing Feet become our little one's favorite book. It has the same idea in illustrations and rhythmic flow, but the text is a little more difficult to read smoothly. There is also a lot of text on each page which is difficult to get through with eager page turners. :) I prefer the author's Dancing Feet book over this one, but it is still a cute addition to the library. One star removed because the sheep page in the book I was sent is printed upside down. I'm not sure if this is on purpose or an error, but either way, it isn't really necessary and it's out of place.

Loved this book! As a grandma of a 4 and 5 year old, I look for books that will create a bond of fun with me, as well as instilling a love for reading. Once again Lindsey Craig has done it. The creative repetition, rhyme, and beautiful illustrations once again have my grandchildren mesmerized.

Fun book. My daughter's preschool class was reading this for a while. She seemed to really enjoy it, talking about it at home, so I got her her own copy. "Sheep can't sleep, sheep can't sleep!" She sings the all the words she can remember, and loves it!

Now here's a rhythmic farmyard tale that's scored for reader and infant to chant together at bed time. The farmyard beat infects the chickens, the sheep, the cat, the dog, and finally farmer Sue. Nobody can sleep because they all have that beat that keeps them excited and dancing. What a racket until all are danced out and sorely exhausted that they all fall asleep in a comfortable heap. Sounds like a good story to get the little ones singing and dancing with the simple words until so tuckered out, they simply mimic the animals and fall asleep. The illustrations to this colorful musical book are original, they consist of colorful collages made from hand-painted paper. The pictures are dynamic, colorful, vibrant and carry the movement of the repetitive, frenetic beat of the simple but pulsating words. This is a good book for the bedtime reading and for beginning readers to try to match words with pictures. They are sure to giggle at the silly dancing farm critters.

The verses in this book are so catchy and cute! My son knows all the words and "raps" along with us when we read it to him at night. We bob our heads together and sing the whole book together now. We loved it so much we bought another book by her as well!

My 18 month old daughter chooses this book regularly. She calls it "peep," which is how the book begins. The writing has a great rhythm/flow, and this book is more readily chanted than read. It's fun and we both enjoy it :)

This is one of those books your kids will quickly start chanting along with you. My 3 yr old (and 5 yr old listening in) love the idea of the animals not wanting to go to sleep. The kids can understand this problem, and they love the party that ensues. We all love when Farmer Sue is woken up as well. When all the animals fall asleep, my kids jumped into bed to pretend the same!! love books where

my kids can follow along and they loved knowing what to expect from the rhyme. Just like Lindsey Craig's other book, the art in this book is so charming and my one year old couldn't get enough of it! We have two books by this author and they are wonderful! Well done and perfect for our "easy to reach" bookshelf where my kids can enjoy it even without me. The rhyming and easy beat made it easy for my 3 yr old to try to "read" on his own. We love that we can dance and act out each animal's part, chant the rhyming together, and giggle at every page. Love it!

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