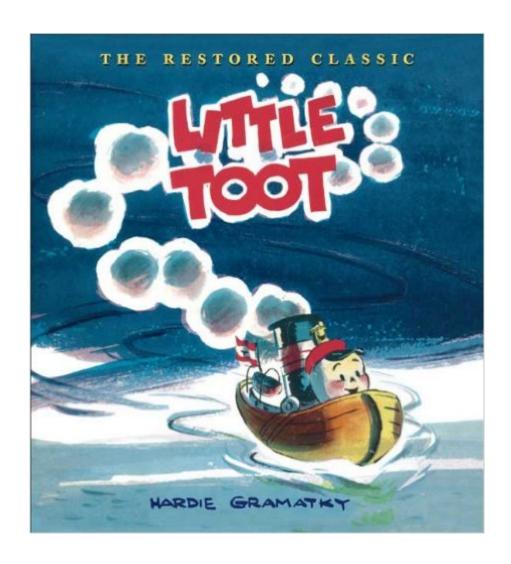
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# **Little Toot**





## Synopsis

"I am delighted to know that this classic piece of Americana, Little Toot, will be enjoyed by readers of all ages for years go come." -- Eric CarleFirst published in 1939, this classic story of the energetic tugboat is brought to new life in this restored edition. With the help and support of Hardie Gramatky's estate, to mark the 100th anniversary of his birth, we have used archived first editions and Hardie's original paintings to restore Little Toot to its full glory, bringing back a richness of color that has been lost in decades of reprintings. This new edition also features several of the artist's full-color manuscript sketches, never before seen in print, and reintroduces the book's exquisite original endpapers.

#### **Book Information**

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Hardcover: 104 pages

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

"Little Toot" by Hardie Gramatky hit the bookshelves in 1939. It has never left. With art which remind readers of Virginia Burton's "Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel," and a story with a message not unlike "The Little Engine That Could" Watty Piper, it is a classic. The Plot:Little Toot is a tugboat who, though he could create a sound, could create smoke. Like in "The Story of Ferdinand" by Munro Leaf, Little Toot liked to spend his days peacefully. He would play instead of work, spinning Figure 8s. Other tugboats teased him, and soon, Little Toot had no friends. One day, Little Toot wanders into the ocean, a deep and scary place, and so he sent an SOS smoke signal. The tugs all

came to his rescue, but the waves held them back."Little Toot" is an adventure story for younger children. The smallest boat becomes a hero, like the young angel in "The Littlest Angel" by Charles Tazewell.I fully recommend "Little Toot" by Hardie Gramatky.Anthony Trendleditor, HungarianBookstore.com

The story of a little tug boat who becomes a hero when none of the grown-ups could come to the rescue appealed to me when I first read this as a child over twenty years ago. As an adult, I think the illustrations appeal to me more than the narration did before.

I had not seen this book for at least 3 decades. When I did see it, I knew I had to have a copy for myself. It was the first book I ever read and it brought back precious memories. The story is about a frivolous young tugboat that would rather play than work. This damages his own and his family's reputation. By the time he is ready to turn over a new leaf, none will take him seriously. He does get his big chance, however, and redeems himself while saving the day when nobody else can. This is the book that kindled my love of reading and stoked the fires of my fascination with ships. In that respect, it is still an influence in my life today. For young readers, it is a good story in terms of entertainment and life lesson. The artwork helps as well. Great for kids!

I bought this for a granddaughter who loves books. I bought this for her when I saw it was just like the original 1939 book with the same text and pictures. I had this book back in the 50's and loved it. We also had a record which sang the song of Little Toot that I have not been able to find. I would love to find that record. The song started like this.....Little Toot was just a tug, Just a happy harbor tug, And something about he tried but he could never behave.

We decided to give this book to our Little Toot as part of his first birthday presents. My husband tells me that his dad used to read a version of Little Toot every evening in the porch of their house. He will sit on his daddy $\hat{A}$ ¢ $\hat{A}$   $\hat{A}$ <sup>TM</sup>s lap, dad was Big Toot and my husband Little Toot. As long as he lives he will never forget those sweet memories; now he wants our grandson to read this book as well as he grows.

If you like the book "little Toot" this one is a great follow up at story time. It seems all the books for sale must be reading books from a school classroom library, ours has random crayon marks and came with a little popcorn in it.Compared to the original "Little Toot" book this story is shorter. The

Nubble Lighthouse in York, ME is our favorite place to visit, having a book that includes one of my children's favorite characters and the Nubble Light is awsome!

Story just okay; Am on a quest for forgotten classic children's books & lesser-known older books; This story is fine, but not amazing; Shows an older NYC harbor, which is nice; My children like the book. Good price, fast shipping, nice condition.

When I saw the cover for this book, I was transported back in time, where memories are no longer images, but just simple emotions. I loved this back then, but looking at it now, I love it again for different reasons. This is something that is transcendental.

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