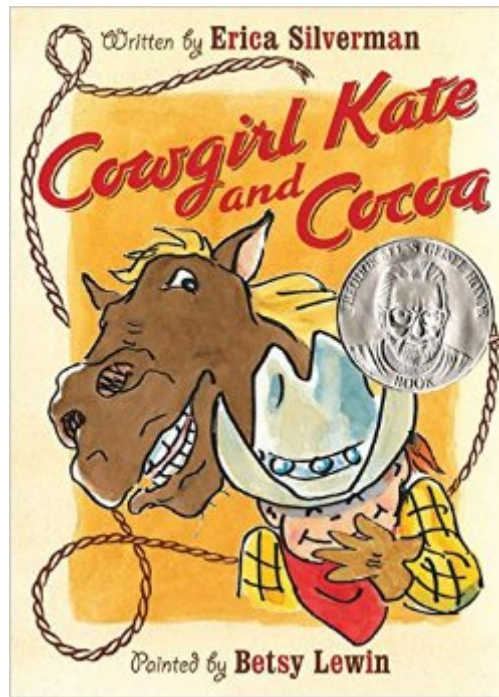


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Cowgirl Kate And Cocoa



Synopsis

A Theodor Seuss Geisel Award Honor Book! Hold on to your hats! Two new pals have arrived on the scene: Cowgirl Kate and her stubborn, but devoted cowhorse, Cocoa. Together they count the herd, ride the range, and, of course, argue till the cows come home--as only best friends can do. With its spirited text and bright, humorous illustrations by Caldecott Honor recipient Betsy Lewin, this first book in the Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa series is bound to be a hit with young wranglers everywhere. This title has been selected as a Common Core Text Exemplar (Grades 2-3, Stories)

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 400L (What's this?)

Series: Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa (Book 1)

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 4

Customer Reviews

Join Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa on their wild west adventures. This is the first book for the Cowgirl Kate series. Cowgirl Kate loves her job as a rancher and tries to do her best. Cocoa however is always hungry and gets Kate off track when she has to feed him. There are four chapters in the book. Each is like a separate adventure for the 2 best friends! Cocoa the horse was a neat character. He was always hungry and avoided bedtime. He sounds a lot like a real child instead of a horse! I would recommend this book to kids who are just learning to read. The words are simple and easy and the chapters are short.

Grand daughter loves this story! It is a perfect story to capture her imagination. It gives a sense of what it might be like to have a horse and some responsibilities! It actually hold her attention»

This title is a Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor book. Cowgirl Kate and her horse Cocoa understand each other perfectly. Sometimes Cocoa does not want to work and Kate knows just what to say to get him moving. When she cannot count all the cattle, Cocoa helps her. Cocoa is always hungry and Kate works hard to take care of him. When she can't sleep, he sings her a lullabye. "Will you fluff my straw?" Cocoa asked. Cowgirl Kate sighed. "I am very tired," she said. But she climbed out of her sleeping bag and fluffed his straw. Then she crawled back into her sleeping bag. "I am hungry," said Cocoa. Cowgirl Kate sighed. "You are always hungry," she said. But she climbed out of her sleeping bag and gave him three carrots. Then she crawled back into her sleeping bag. "Uh-oh! My water bin is low," said Cocoa. Cowgirl Kate groaned. "Why didn't you tell me that before?" "I didn't think of it before," said Cocoa. "First I was thinking about straw. Then I was thinking about food. Now I am thinking about water." "You are doing too much thinking," said Cowboy Kate. Lewin's paintings are comical and expressive. Kate and Cocoa's expressions are priceless as they stare at each other during this exchange.

This is one of those rare children's books that is entertaining for both child and adult. I found myself smiling and even laughing out loud as the young cowgirl and the horse each demonstrate their strong personalities, on the way to forging a partnership. The chapters are a nice length and can stand alone. I bought this book at a resale shop, but I'm back here on today to buy more from this author.

We started reading the Cowgirl Kate series with "Partners". Then we read "Rain or Shine". Each of those is top-notch, and we actually did buy Partners after renting it from the library over and over again. This one is a little too long and not as engaging. Where the others are very readable... easy to get into, do the voices, emote properly... this one seems duller. (Buy the other two -- at \$7 it's worth it -- but try to get this one from the library before committing.)

My 5-yo daughter was on the cusp of learning to read. She knew all the sounds, the basics of the how, but lacked the drive to push her over the edge. Enter Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa. Exactly what

was needed for a little girl who has dreamed of her own horse for 3 years!!!!We started slow, she would read a page, I would read a page. Eventually she was able to get through a whole page without help. And she is now reading other books as well. These are not the "easy readers" - there are some challenging words, some cowgirl-specific vocabulary. But it was the RIGHT motivation for my little cowgirl. And that is what is important!

My daughter is 3 and loves this book! I've read it over and over to her, and she loves to sit with the book and look at the charming drawings of Cocoa and Cowgirl Kate. So even though most of the reviews, and the suggested age is for older children already reading, don't dismiss this as a good book even for a preschooler!

my son has loved these since he was 2, and i love them because they're a rare book with a positive female lead who isn't a girly girl. they also have nice themes, like friendship, working hard, and patience.

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