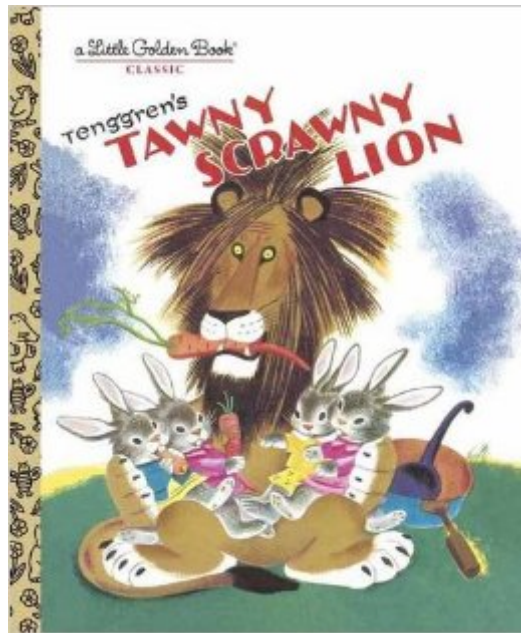


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Tawny Scrawny Lion (Little Golden Book)



Synopsis

'Tawny Scrawny Lion' tells a story about a little rabbit who cures a lion of the insatiable hunger which keeps him scrawny.

Book Information

Series: Little Golden Book

Hardcover: 24 pages

Publisher: Golden Books; 1 edition (July 15, 2001)

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Product Dimensions: 6.6 x 0.2 x 7.9 inches

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

I can't believe some of the ludicrous reviews on here. One lady fusses because she's a vegetarian and the rabbits are depicted as putting fish in their stew; another person fusses because the lion is depicted as eating kangaroos, when lions are not native to Australia. So, let's see: Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella, The Lion King, Charlotte's Web, Snow White, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Hansel and Gretel, and every other children's story ever invented, likewise should be fussed about, because all contain implausible claims and non-PC events. So dumb. The point of the story is how the little rabbit's sincerity and hospitality provoke a change in the predatory lion. It's not a David Attenborough documentary, okay? Anyway, here's the story: When "The Tawny Scrawny Lion" opens, a lion is devouring the local animal population. Frightened, the local animals convince a young rabbit to approach the lion in hopes that the lion will eat the rabbit, and thus leave them alone for another day. However, as the lion prepares to pounce, the naive, cheery rabbit invites the lion to come home with him to eat dinner with him and all his siblings. Eager to eat them all, the lion agrees. But as the day wears on, with the rabbit gathering

herbs and fish for the carrot stew, they become friends. And once the lion gets to know the rabbit's family, he softens, and the story ends with the lion and rabbits all great friends. After that, the lion only wants to hang out with the rabbits and eat carrot stew. The rabbit family's sincere hospitality has won the lion over. This is a wonderful little tale with striking illustrations. I read this book all the time as a kid, and I read it to my kids now all the time, and it just never gets old. In fact, I still find it touching everytime. I hope this review helped someone.

I am sorry for those readers who seem to have missed the exuberant charm of this little book. Perhaps it is simply that it struck a cord for me five decades ago, and the nostalgia overtakes me from time to time. The truth is, I have never forgotten the wide-eyed lion and the clever little rabbits after all these years. And while the lion never becomes a true "vegetarian," I suspect that he would have had a sequel ever been written. For 1952, I think those rabbits did a darn good job of teaching the lion about sustainable food sources. Amazingly, my copy from childhood has survived. Unfortunately, the color in Tenggren's illustrations are more vivid in my 1950's copy than the ones I recently purchased from . (I have to fess-up, I purchased half-a-dozen to give as gifts to my "almost" vegetarian friends). Well, it may be a silly little book to some, but I believe that its message was way ahead of its time and it is bursting with charm. (I just wish that there had been a sequel!)

It was one of my favorites, now my kids love it. I'm glad that Little Golden Books are still around, however dated the story may be. The artwork is fun and playful, the story silly, but it's very sweet. I'm glad it's still around.

This is one of the picture books I remember reading and loving as a child. The story is sweet and satisfying in its simplicity. The hungry lion stops chasing the other animals and starts eating carrot (& fish) stew when he is invited to the rabbits' house for dinner. I also love the bright illustrations. Because of its length I hadn't expected to be able to share this story with my son until he was a bit older. One day my 6-month old noticed the book and reached for it. To my surprise he sat through the whole story! He kisses the pages and babbles happily as we read it. My only complaint is that I wish it were available as a board book: my copy is not going to last very long under his affectionate assaults!

My mom must of read this to a hundred times as a kid. The pictures bring me back. It's so cute the little bunnies and the tawny lion. No bunnies are harmed and in the end the Lion develops a taste for

carrot soup.Cool.

I bought this for myself because I loved this story as a child. When I originally owned it there was a record that was included. I feel sorry for the newbies that don't get to hear the carrot stew song. I'm 40 years old and my mom says she still knows the words.

Little Golden Books were always a staple in my house when my daughters were little and I wanted to get some for my granddaughter, so that she would enjoy them as well. We had this book when my girls were little and they loved it.

My 3yr old daughter wanted this book simply bc it had a lion on it. She saw it on the back of one of the othe Golden books we have. I usually proof read book before I read them to my kids...but it's a golden book so I figured it would be fine! As we started reading I was a little nervous how things would turn out for the characters. Long story short, the bunnies turn the lion into a veggiterian (well he eats fish) haha. Great quality book. Hard outside but pages are paper so could easily tear with younger kids. Story is cute, but I would recommend for under 2-2.5 (the lion goes around trying to eat everyone in the beginning). Overall we've read it 6 times in the past 2 days!

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