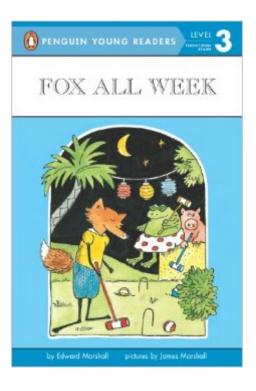
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# Fox All Week (Penguin Young Readers, Level 3)





# Synopsis

Fox is all ready for another exciting week. Will he get to go on a field trip, play games, and read books? Or will he have to eat tuna and wear a tie? The inimitable Fox has a different adventure for every day of the week in this Easy-to-Read paperback picture book.

# **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 170L (What's this?) Series: Penguin Young Readers, Level 3 Paperback: 48 pages Publisher: Penguin Young Readers; Reissue edition (September 1, 1995) Language: English ISBN-10: 0140377085 ISBN-10: 0140377088 Product Dimensions:  $6 \times 0.2 \times 9$  inches Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 3.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (14 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #130,710 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #46 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Alligators & Crocodiles #1963 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Chapter Books & Readers > Beginner Readers #4477 in Books > Children's Books > Humor Age Range: 6 - 8 years Grade Level: 1 - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

I am so mad after reading half of this book with my daughter who is in First grade. She comes home with Advanced Reader books that she can read and then test on. In the middle of the book we find a story titled "Thursday After School". They come across Cigars and decide to smoke them. The con? Two of them get sick for one hour(That's it) and they finish off the story with one of the boys still smoking because he thinks it makes him look smart. Seriously? It left both of us mad.

We enjoyed our first Fox book, Fox on the Job, but Fox All Week is notably less enjoyable for two reasons: 1) it is much less funny and 2) one of the stories shows Fox and his friends smoking cigars. Marshall tries to treat the subject with intended humor, but it is lost on children ages 4-8. This age group is not able to understand such tongue-in-cheek humor until older and the result of the cigar smoking story is confusion about whether smoking is OK for kids.

Fox books are so funny! The illustrations are great and the stories are good, too. There's a short story for each day of the week. Easy to read and doesn't rhyme or repeat things. This book DOES show characters smoking and the consequences of smoking, if you are concerned about what you show to your kids. Still a good book. :) I would recommend it to anyone.

My son has begun to read and I am working hard to find independent reading books that he enjoys so that he learns that reading is fun not just something we do to practice our phonics. While he reads more difficult books during phonics and during reading time (when I have him read out loud to me) I want easier books that are fun and easy v. serious and difficult. I want to make sure he knows that reading is enjoyable and not always work. That said, I had this book for him to read independently. Keeping in mind that it was published in 1984 when smoking was still common and children trying it and finding it was not that unusual, I still think the smoking story could have been treated better. Note to future editors of this book series and to other children's story writers: it must be explicit that the children felt horrible and that the children thought that smokers do not look cool but look idiotic. Other than that the book is a fine little independent reading book for young children. However, it was not terrible as the story made clear that the boys got sick and that they now thought that anyone smoking looked like a dork. But make it explicit v. implicit for such a subject in the future please!We will try others in the series that will hopefully have more innocent story lines.

Soooo...the fox, pig and frog find a box of cigars on the street and decide to smoke them. Holy cow is that innapropriate, but the picture was hilarious and I was honestly so surprised that I just burst out laughing. Not a good reaction in front of my six year old.On the last page the pig looks like he has a giant blunt shoved in his mouth while he is turning green from getting sick, again a very amusing image for a children's book, but a little questionable. The fact that they are smoking a box of random-ass cigars that they found in the road is equally concerning/amusing. Needless to say, I had a lot of explaining to do after that story and I really resent the illustrator (James Marshall) for making me bust a gut about something so unsuited for children, but I will forgive him.

I never saw my 6 year old nephew laugh so hard. He has several Fox books and has read them all over and over again. We both liked this one because Fox is so funny while he gets himself into some kind of trouble every day of the week! A word of caution: I only gave this book 4 stars because Fox and his friends smoke a cigar in this book. I didn't think the lesson they learned from it Bought the whole set when one of my 2nd graders fell in love with them. We were so sad to look up the author to find he had died years ago. We wanted to write and thank him for these books!

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