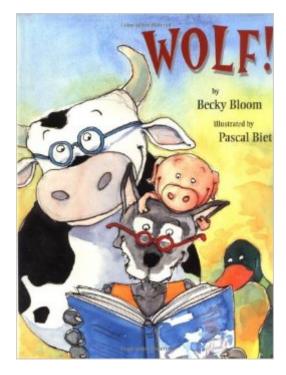
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Synopsis

A wolf learns to read in order to impress a group of farmyard animals he has met.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

This is such a wonderful, unique twist to the old story. I've read this book five times since buying it yesterday and can't wait to read it to the second graders in my volunteer reading program. The whimsical pictures of the animals totally absorbed in reading their books and thus refusing to be disturbed by a big , bad wolf are absolutely fantastic. The wolf gets the message that these are "educated" animals, and he embarks on a great quest to learn to read. The wolf's unfaltering determination to read is truly inspiring. Don't miss the looks on the faces of the humans as they encounter (on the sidelines) the wolf throughout the story. There are also subtle signs that learning to read is helping to refine the wolf's social graces (as he announces himself to the farm animals each time). The story is great; the art is great. Definitely #1 on my gift-giving list

I am an elementary school principal. I read this book at a faculty meeting and to parents at a PTO meeting. Both groups loved it and several teachers have since shared it with their classes. A great book to explain the complexities of learning to read.

We checked this book out of the library and liked it so much we wanted to buy it. My 3 year old loves how the power of the wolf is turned on it's head -- the farm animals who can read are not scared of him. They turn the wolf from wanting to be a bully and getting his way by sheer brute force to wanting to educate himself which is a wonderful message. We giggle every time the wolf howls and all the animals ignore his tactics. The animals later come to accept the wolf when he becomes a great storyteller and joins the farm to entertain the others. This transformation story -- something scary thing into something positive -- is captivating and empowering for young children. It doesn't need to make perfect sense, the kids get it.

This is a great book for any person wanting to instill the power of reading. While most people think that WOLF is just for the primary, I enjoyed its universal appeal. No matter how hard Wolf tried to impress the barnyard animals, it wasn't until he had learned to read that all the other animals found him enjoyable. For the number of schoolage children up to 6th grade (and possibly beyond) this book tells a simple tale that transcends all age groups. While the primary student would enjoy the wonderful colored pictures and the story, the older children would enjoy the message: Its not cool to bully others around, try reading for life! THis is a great book and one that everyone should have, no matter how old your children, nieces, nephews or students in your class. No matter what age, students like a story with a great message. THis is IT!

Wolf is a great story to read to emergent readers. It follows the Big Bad Wolf of fairy tale fame through his struggle to impress the educated animals of a nearby farm. His progress in learning fluency follows the steps that teachers track through their students' work. The kids love recognizing their own learning plateaus through watching the wolf become a beloved story teller.

As a children's picture book, this is a great one. The story is fun and offers inspiration. I use it as a first story with my new classes (1st grade for many years, now 5th grade). A great mid-year first grade student read. With upper elementary, I use it like a Dr. Seuss book to inspire as a read aloud.

The "big, bad wolf" wants to eat Pig, Duck and Cow, who are too busy reading to be bothered with him. He goes to school, to learn to read and his early attempts are brushed off by the animals. When he finally learns to read, he entertains Pig, Duck and Cow with his story telling skills and wins them over. This is a fabulous read aloud to launch reading and story telling activities early in the school year. My daughter really enjoys this book! She especially likes the part when the wolf (aka Mom) reads super fast to impress his friends. I like that this book teaches the importance of reading fluently and with enthusiasm! I find myself doing the same things when I read it aloud to her!

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