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# Big Bear Little Chair



## Synopsis

A New York Times Best Illustrated Book of 2015 In this artful and deceptively simple book, master book creator Lizi Boyd is at it again. Using her inimitable style to expand upon a familiar concept, she has created a compendium of unexpected opposites that is also a charming and emotionally warm story about Big Bear, little bear, and the stories that bring them together.

## Book Information

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Hardcover: 36 pages

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Shipping Weight: 10.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (7 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

Big Bear Little Chair is a delightful book of non-predictable comparisons, full of playful juxtapositions with red in black-and-white scenes, tickling the brain at any age. Each page begs for a pause, for the reader to narrate their own story about a tent in the forest, a red ladder off the page, a zebra with a broom... Though Big Bear Little Chair is recommended for ages 2-5, you don't need to be confined by this suggested parameter. It's perfect for young readers who delight in the color contrasts of each page and perfect as well for older readers who delight in the hidden stories. Kids respond to this book and make it their own; Boyd's work inspires children (and readers of all ages) to tell their own stories through the pages. I teach a multi-age class of 6, 7, and 8 year-olds who noticed amazing things as they shared their thinking about these whimsical pages: "Only some pages rhyme!" "The tent is red, but nothing else is red on that page!" "Tiny doesn't appear until the end of the story!" and more | The non-predictability of Boyd's

comparisons had them hooked. Teachers and parents, you can feel confident in purchasing this deceptively-simple yet captivating book. It's a little book, but a big imagination-igniter! Lizi Boyd had me at Flashlight. I fell in love with this beautiful, wordless masterpiece from the very first page, and with falling in love I discovered Inside Outside, and now Big Bear Little Chair. I'm a forever-fan of Boyd's. Though it may be a while, I can hardly wait for the next work of genius to be published |

Writer and illustrator Lizi Boyd delivers a fun concept book in Big Bear Little Chair (2015). High contrast illustrations done in gouache create bold contrasts between two objects on each two-page spread including a big bear, little bear, penguin, owl, zebra, and chairs of varying sizes. Boyd uses gouache in black, white, and grey along with hints of red to keep the artwork simple and sharp. The book's unusual trim size makes it tall and narrow which further underscores the size contrasts in each spread and also helps draw the reader's attention across each spread. After going through various big and little contrasts (big bear, little chair/big owl, little branch/big meadow, little salamander, etc.) Boyd adds tiny items to the second half of the book to bring another dimension to this sleek picture book. Big Bear Little Chair is part concept book and part hidden object with various items to locate on every page and something new to find on subsequent reads. An ideal choice for a younger story time set or a concept-themed program. Possible Pairings: Orange Bear Apple Pear by Emily Gravett, Cockatoo, Too by Bethanie Deeney Murguia, Bears on Chairs by Shirley Parenteau and David L. Walker

My daughter is 2.5 years old and LOVES this book. Something about the illustrations really draws her in, because there really isn't a story. I would highly recommend it for kids under 3.

Not as engaging as I had hoped, but it's okay for the 2 1/2 year old.

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