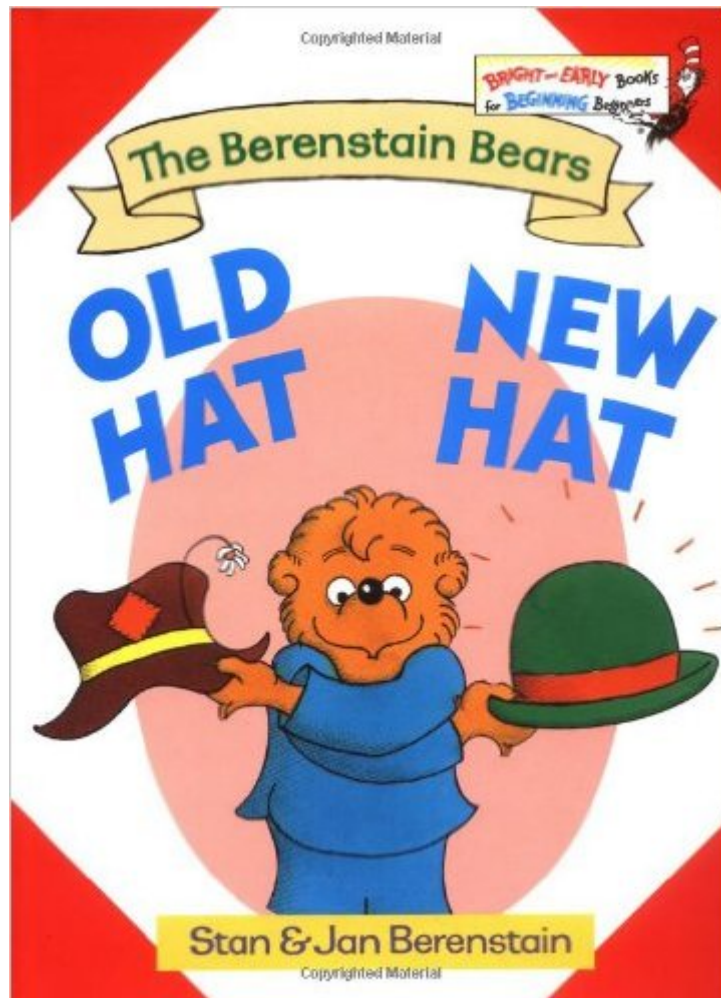


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# Old Hat New Hat



## Synopsis

Illus. in full color. "Out shopping, the Bears look at frilly and silly hats, bumpy and lumpy ones. Offers slapstick humor and simple concepts of sizes and shape."--School Library Journal.Â Â

## Book Information

Hardcover: 36 pages

Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers (1970)

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Product Dimensions: 6.8 x 0.3 x 9.3 inches

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

I read about this book in a parenting magazine and picked it up because it was inexpensive. Although the illustrations can not compete with some of the exquisite books available to our children, my 20 month old daughter memorized with joy and gusto this simple story. In fact, it started her using adjectives in her own speech. The Bright and Early books are successful because the simple meter and clear pictures are pure delight to children. Get it out of the library and when your child is as obsessed as mine became, you can order your own copy from !

This is the first book my then 2 year old son "read" all by himself & I've captured it on video which he watches with delight. He must have been so proud of himself he later went on to read independently by 3. He's now 5 and reading Dick King-Smith and The Magic Tree House books and Wayside School stories and World Book entries and anything he lays his hands on.It's about a bear with a tatty hat who goes into a store to buy a new hat. The salesman shows him many hats which he rejects as being too big, too small, too flat, too tall, etc. It's a great way to introduce adjectives and rhyme and improve memory and boost confidence too. It comes with a surprise ending too. it's

a very simple book, but perhaps that's the beauty of it - that it can do so much with so little.

Old Hat New Hat is a great essay on the pitfalls of consumerism and the waste it generates. \*\*\*Spoilers Below\*\*\* We follow our protagonist, the average consumer, as they struggle to upgrade their old hat to a new hat in an effort to maintain an image created by a hyper-consumerist society. After searching and struggling; the malleable, misguided, furry consumer realizes that their old hat is just as good, if not better than any overpriced, flashy hat. Old Hat New Hat is a roller coaster ride of emotion that culminates in common sense, utilization, and waste reduction triumphing over the evils of deontological consumerism and capitalism. Old Hat New Hat is a must read for anyone who is trying to find their way in this shallow, carnivorous world. Enjoy.

My son is 2 and loves books. This has now become his favorite book! He laughed the first time I read it to him and he now "reads" it to me (he has memorized the entire book!). He loves that he can "read" it and still laughs at the story. Of course, now everything in his everyday life is "too scratchy" or "too bumpy". Great book for beginning readers.

I loved this story as a kid, so I was excited to see that there was a board book version of it available so my little ones wouldn't accidentally destroy it. The story itself is fun, and our preschool-aged kids especially love it. My only beef with the board book version: it's missing at least one of the pages that the original story has. Is it crucial to the plot? No, but don't expect it to be exactly the same as the regular book. Still not a deal breaker though. I would buy it again even knowing that the page isn't there.

I was looking for a book that was similar to The Foot Book because my daughter loves that one (and we are getting a little bored with reading it every night) and she loves hats. This book has some silly rhymes and pictures but is mostly adjectives. It's not as interesting as The Foot Book since it just rattles off rhyming adjectives as the bear looks for a new hat as opposed to showing new situations. It's a decent book but not a go-to book for her.

I didn't realize the book would be so small in size, but my 2 year old granddaughter loves the story, and it's easy enough that she'll "read it" herself flipping through the pages. Very cute and also sturdy, thick cardboard pages! I was really excited to find this book, as it's the same book I read to my daughter when she was 2.

This is not a storybook, but an early reading book. It has a story to it, but reads in short simple phrases describing the different hats. Like most of these Bright and Early Board books, it is taken from an old Bright and Early book and the the original story is a bit condensed, but this one doesn't lose much. The pace is sped up a little, which is not all that bad. Just don't be surprised if you're a book purist who enjoyed the original. I enjoy both versions now, and my little girls (aged 1-3), who don't know the difference, love the easy to remember words and rhyming flow of this super simple story. The older two have it memorized and love to "read" it back to me!

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