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Wolf's Coming! (Carolrhoda Picture Books)



Synopsis

As a distant howl echoes through the forest, animals quickly stop what they're doing and run for home. Look out! •Wolf's coming! As the shadowy figure gets closer and closer and the day draws to a close, the animals shut the door, pull the shades, and turn out the lights. Soon the wolf's glowing eyes appear at the window and the front door opens... But things are not as they seem in this suspenseful, clever story, and it's the reader who's in for the biggest surprise of all!

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Customer Reviews

This book starts out scary with the big, bad wolf and then turns into something really cute. The simple rhyming on each page made it fun for my daughter to memorize. We originally borrowed this from the library (and read it daily for 2 weeks) and then returned it and the next day I heard her in her room reciting it to her animals so we had to buy our own copy.

Wolf's Coming has simple rhyming couplets with strong graphics and a suspenseful storyline. The book is my son's favorite and he now shouts out the lines on cue. We love this book and will purchase our own copy after the library copy's returned!

This book was read to us when my DS's school had a Parent's "Stay Play" I saw the reaction to the children as the teacher read the book and had to bring it home for him. When it arrived, his eye's lit up and he screamed Momma Wolf's Coming. He's 2.5 years old and loves turning the pages on this colorful book and repeating the words he remembers from story time. It's a really great book and I love just interacting with him as he excitedly talks about the book! I highly recommend this book to any toddler!

My daughter has developed a fascination with creepy stories - I suspect she's working to master her fears of the dark, monsters, etc. Her favorite section of the library has become the "Chills and Thrills" section, which is where we found this gem. The book opens with a slightly spine-tingling picture of the woods at early sunset, with wolf-howling heard in the distance. Rabbit, raccoon and pig families begin pulling their youngsters toward home, hustling their babies together. Wolf gets closer, the animal families rush faster. The animals all pile indoors, turn out the light and hide as Wolf (looking suspiciously like a Wall Street executive) makes his appearance. "WOLF'S HERE!" "The front door opens with a creak. The big wolf leans in for a peek." And then...well, I wouldn't want to spoil the surprise, but I'm sure you can guess that no rabbits, raccoons or pigs get eaten. This story is a perfect blend of scary and humorous for the pre-school crowd. The suspense builds throughout the book, which makes the giggle at the end that much more enjoyable. The clear and bold illustrations also help to build the suspense, but they also don't quite fit. The animal's expressions betray actual fear, not just the nervous anticipation you would expect based on the ending. It seems like the illustrator could have added a bit of a wink that would signal what's coming to the observant reader without losing the surprise. Nevertheless, I recommend this book for the daring pre-schoolers in your life.

My granddaughter would check this book out every time I took her to the library, she loves it.
Wonderful fun book, she's 2 1/2 years old

this book is so much fun to read to my kids! It is suspenseful and my kids love it! Today i read it to the daycare class of 4 year olds and they all loved it too. It's fun to alter my voice as i read the book to enhance the suspense and the way the book is written, it's obvious how one's voice needs to sound (quiet and hushed, or scared and hurried, etc). This is not a scary book at all and there is a nice twist at the end.

One of our favorite books. Had to buy another hard copy as ours got dog eared after a few kids :) It is suspenseful, even a might scary for some children as the wolf is drawn in the typical vein of big bag wolf. The end leaves the reader pleasantly surprised and asking, "again?!" The illustrations are some of the most detailed and colorful, text is big enough to read comfortably.

So our daughter came home from school and earnestly told us that Wolf is Coming. We weren't sure if this was some veiled and creepy Doctor Who reference or something else. Suffice to say, we were relieved when we finally learned that it's all about a surprise birthday party for their friend Wolf. He's not going to blow your house down; he's there for his party!

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