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First published in 1986 and just as fresh and relevant today, this widely acclaimed, child-friendly poetry anthology is now being reissued with a striking new jacket. In his introduction to this book Jim Trelease, bestselling author of *The Read-Aloud Handbook*, writes, “No one better recognizes the essence of the child-poetry connection than poet and anthologist Jack Prelutsky. . . . Here are more than 200 little poems to feed little people with little attention spans to help both grow. Marc Brown’s inviting illustrations add a visual dimension to the poems, which further engage young imaginations.” The poems are by 119 of the best-known poets of the 20th century.

This book has been selected as a Common Core State Standards Text Exemplar (Grades K-1, Poetry) in Appendix B.

Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young Details

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From Reader Review Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young for online ebook

Karren says

This is a wonderful collection of silly rhymes for very young children. I think a precocious 18-month-old would even enjoy it and my 4-year-old absolutely still does. Jack Prelutsky is so good at what he does. Some of the rhymes are originals and others are familiar or new-to-me classics. The illustrations are appealing. A great gift book.

Heather says

3+ stars. Fun collection.

Anthony Minieri says

Poetry

Awards: N/A

Appropriate Grade Levels: k-5

Summary: Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young is another fantastic poem book that features poetry from some of the best and most well-known poets of the past. The poems within this book showcase many animals stories that will captivate the attention of young readers.

Review: Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young is a must have for teachers of young children. Not only are the poems easy to read, but they're also captivating--making this book an excellent gateway for children into the world of poetry.

In-Class Uses:

-tool to enhance attention span of young readers; children will really enjoy this book

-inspiration for writing poetry independently

Kate Foran says

The secret of the polar bear
is that he wears long underwear.

--All the poetry I know by heart is in this book.

Gabrielle says

Title: Read - Aloud Rhymes for the very young

Award: None

Appropriate grade levels: Pre-k - 1nd grade

Summary: This book has various nursery rhymes that are perfect for young children.

Review: I would give this book a 5, I think reading or hearing these nursery rhymes is perfect for young children. The types of nursery rhymes are all different in this book so finding one that you might like is very easy.

Possible in class uses: Some uses for this book are teaching kids about nursery rhymes and then having them make their own or have students discuss what their favorite nursery rhyme is and why.

Tyler Nevison says

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Poetry

Pre-K-2nd grade

Incredible selections of poetry! Each one is tailored to the mind of a child and what they feel at each age. Illustrations matched with each poem will captivate any little reader! I plan on using this book when I go back home with the family I nanny for! Perfect for bedtime!

Kim Pietrobono says

Award(s): N/A

Grade: Preschool-Grade 5

Summary: The book is filled with almost 100 pages of nursery rhymes and songs. Song lyrics and sheet music are also included to go along with it. There are classic nursery rhymes including: "Hickory Dickory Dock" "Patty-Cake" and "Miss Mary Mack."

Review: I really like this book because it contains a number of pieces, particularly nursery rhymes, that most students will know so everyone can participate and feel included. I also like that the pieces are mostly short in length so that students will remain engaged. I think this book can be utilized as a very basic starting point for students to learn other more challenging concepts, like poetry, in a fun and unintimidating way.

In Class Use: The book can be used as a fun way to start the day having a different student every day picking one of the pieces, and singing the song and dancing/moving together. Another use can be during a mini-lesson implicitly/explicitly teaching students different areas of phonological awareness: rhyming, onset and rime, alliteration, syllables, etc.

Chloe DeRocker says

1. Awards the book has received: none

2. Appropriate grade levels: Pre-k to 2nd grade

3. Original 3-line summary: "Read-Aloud Rhymes For the Very Young" includes a plethora of rhymes and poems for children. The book is arranged so rhymes of the same topic are located next to each other, from rain to holidays to bathtime. Almost every rhyme is accompanied by an illustration from Marc Brown.

4. Original 3-line review: "Read-Aloud Rhymes For the Very Young" is a beautifully put-together work of children's rhymes and poems. The poems and rhymes are very on-topic for young children's wonders and the beautiful illustrations help readers visualize the words being recited. Everyone is guaranteed to find at least one poem in the book that speaks to them.

5. 2-3 possible in class uses: This book can be used as an encyclopedia of children's poems. The way the poems are organized makes it easy for teachers or parents to find a poem to fit a specific event or occasion. This book is also very helpful in teaching young children rhyming words. With each poem containing its own rhymes there are hundreds of rhyming words at the reader's disposal.

Stephanie Bange says

I am so happy to see this collection of poetry for young children back in print! It is one that I remember receiving as a gift and reading aloud from when my daughters were young.

Prelutsky shows his brilliance in selecting just the right poems and Marc Brown's illustrations are just right. I had to smile as I sang aloud the first poem -- it was a song my first grade music teacher had taught in school in the 1960's. My only wish for this book is that it were a bit more diverse visually. The lion's share of the illustrations show anthropomorphic animals in the story. While there are children of color included, they are shown in far fewer numbers in comparison. It reads very white.

Given when this was first published (1986), I think it stands the test and deserves space on the shelf for it.

Rachel Hutsell says

Genre: Poetry

Grade: Early Childhood

This poetry book is adorable! I think it is a terrific way to introduce poetry to children. There is such a wide variety of poems that are organized in a nice way. The author had similar poems, such as poems about spring, on the same page. There are cute illustrations on each page to go with different poems. I also like how this book of poetry was a collection of many different poems by different people. There is also a well-organized index in the back, which is a great addition because there are a lot of poems in this book! I recommend this book!

Gabriella Bumbaca says

Genre: Poetry

Grade Range: K-1

Review:

This is a very fun collection of poems. Each one is relative to young children. This is a great way to introduce poems to younger students, even Pre-K and younger. I also thought the index of first lines was really cool too! So if you remember the first line of a poem but not the rest of it you can look it up in the

index and see what page it's on.

Nicole Woolwine says

5/5

1986

Poetry

Pre k- kindergarten

This is a must have poetry book for my future kindergarten classroom, it's full of short poems, pages on end of scenarios that occur in real life that are brought about with a fun twist. Several poems throughout the book I read aloud, and related to all to well, and I know I could read these poems aloud while incorporating into lesson plans. From animal actions and appearances to personal adventures and failures. I find this to be a great book to teach younger students because they will grasp concepts through the idea of poetry!

Tara Pinelli says

- 1.) No awards.
- 2.) Appropriate grade levels: Preschool-2nd grade
- 3.) Original 3 line summary: This book is filled with over 200 short rhyming poems. There are poems about seasons, insects, animals, and much more. This rhyming book also includes various illustrations.
- 4.) Original 3 line review: I enjoyed reading the many different poems in this rhyming book. This book would be perfect for children who are learning about rhyming and poetry. I also liked the illustrations in this book.
- 5.) One in class use would be creating a "rhyme word chart" for many words found in this book.

Dalton Collins says

I enjoyed the poems inside this book. They are very short and simple to appeal to toddlers. The illustrations are colorful and give a fun image to compliment each poem. I believe it would be a good book for mothers or fathers to read with their very young children to practice sounds.

Crystal Velez says

Award(s): N/A

Grade(s): Birth-Grade 2

Summary: This book contains almost a hundred pages of very short nursery rhymes.

Review: The pictures are vibrant and detailed. There is an illustration that corresponds to each individual nursery rhyme. The rhymes are relatively short, as are the attention spans of small children, so one could skip around in the book and stop reading whenever.

In Class Use: Using their imagination to create art (ex- a lot of the nursery ryhmes are imaginative and are not real, they could make their own drawings in relation to what they have just read.), There's a rhyme called "I Wish", and it goes among the lines of "If I could wish, I'd be a fish (for just a day or two) ext. I would have the students illustrate and write what they would look like as a fish and what they would do.
