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Animals Should Definitely not Wear Clothing by Judi Barrett and Ron Barrett

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Author: Barrett, Judi

Title: *Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing*

Illustrator: Barrett, Ron

Year of Publication: 2012

Publisher: Little Simon

ISBN: 9781442433342

Number of Pages: 30

Rating: Dependable

Reading/Interest Level: Toddler; Preschool

Keywords: Animals; Clothing; Humor; Board Books

Review:

This board book version of *Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing* is a perfect reproduction of a classic story for toddlers. Each page depicts an animal wearing a different form of clothing to show how impractical it is for animals to wear what humans do.

The translation of this book from picture book to board book works well since the quality of the illustrations is very high. The illustrations retain their classic feel, but they have been given a new life in the board book format. The pictures are matched with clever text, and the humor in both the text and illustrations makes the book enjoyable for children and adults alike. However, the premise gets a bit redundant as the book nears its conclusion. The point of this book is to show contrast between animals and humans for a comedic effect, and that humor alone will appeal to a wide audience.

Reviewer: Hayley Hucks

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