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# Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site by Sherri Duskey Rinker; Illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld

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Author: Rinker, Sherri Duskey

Title: *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site*

Illustrator: Lichtenheld, Tom

Year of Publication: 2011

Publisher: Chronicle Books

ISBN: 09780811877824

Number of Pages: 32

Rating: Outstanding

Reading/Interest Level: Toddler, Preschool

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Review:

Fans of trucks everywhere will love to see the nightly routine of the machines on the construction site in this adorable picture book. Crane Truck, Cement Mixer, Dump Truck, Bulldozer, and Excavator each finish up their work and then go through their bedtime routine before finally settling in for the night.

This picture book keeps its charm, for both children and parents, even after the thousandth reading. The rhyme and tempo of the verse is upbeat while describing the work of each machine and then relaxes and slows as the trucks get ready for bed. It mimics the busy day of a toddler and should help them relax for some quiet time, too. The illustrations whimsically depict each truck's job and then show them snuggled in with blankets and teddy bears, personifying the trucks without being cheesy. The sunsets and night sky images are beautiful and manage to make a construction site look peaceful and comforting. The illustrations and verse combine to make the perfect bedtime story that will become a much loved favorite. Highly recommend, this story will be delightful for both little construction fans and the adults in their lives.

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