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Piggies in Pajamas

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Book Review

Title: Piggies in Pajamas

Author: Michelle Meadows

Illustrator: Ard Hoyt

Reviewer: Liz Kazandzhy

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

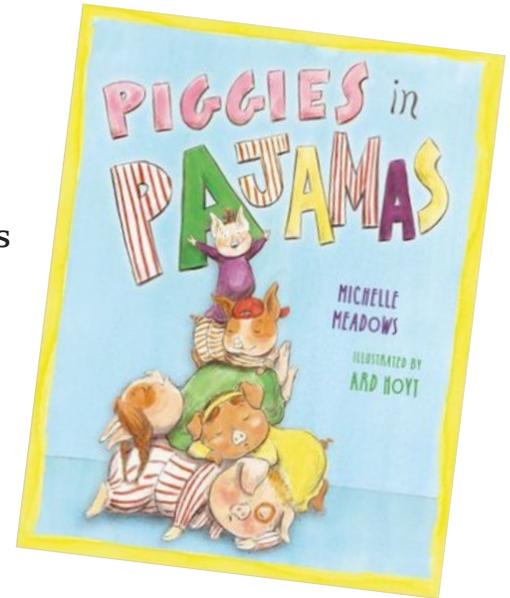
Publication Year: 2013

ISBN: 9781416949824

Number of Pages: 32

Interest Level: Toddler, Preschool, Primary

Rating: Outstanding



Review

While Mama Piggy is busy on the phone and getting ready for bed, these five little piggies in pajamas want to do anything besides sleep! Jumping, climbing, scooting, and whirling around their room, the playful piggies have all sorts of adventures, all the while listening to make sure Mama isn't coming down the hall toward them. Soon, a noise outside their window frightens them, so they crawl and sneak toward Mama's room and snuggle into her bed. She finds them there and joins them for bedtime, kissing each one goodnight.

There are several elements of this book that come together to make it exceptional. First, the illustrations are artfully done, cast the characters as adorable and lovable, and truly capture the joy, innocence, and imagination of childhood. Also, the text is bouncy and rhythmic, with exact rhyming patterns and bolded sound words, making it a very fun book to read out loud. It's also simple enough that new readers would be able to figure the text out quite easily. Lastly, the plot appeals to children because of their own excitable imaginations, and also to adults who appreciate that endearing quality in children. *Piggies in Pajamas* would make for a wonderful bedtime story when putting little kiddies in pajamas to sleep.