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Book Review

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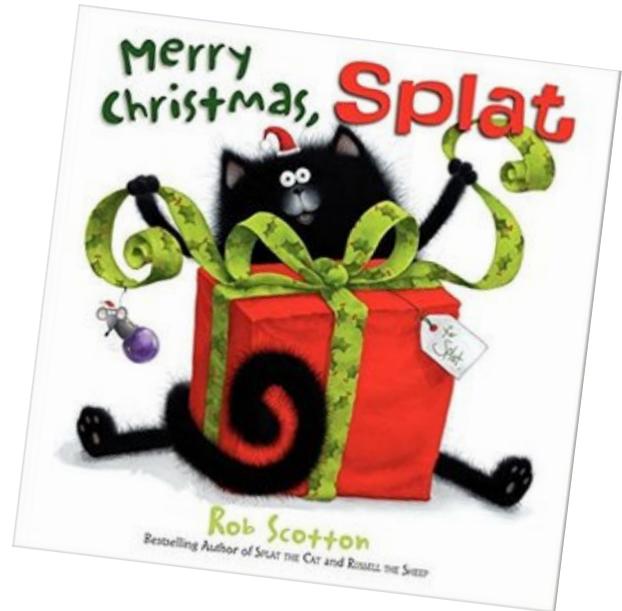
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Interest Level: Preschool

Rating: Dependable



Review

Splat the Cat knows that it is important to write a letter to Santa and be good so that he can get what he wants for Christmas, but he (and especially his little sister) aren't convinced that Splat has been good enough to get the really big present he wants. Splat decides to do everything he can to help his mom get ready for Christmas. He even washes the Christmas dishes that aren't dirty. When he's still not sure if he's been good enough, he decides to wait for Santa so he can tell Santa how good he has been. For a while it looks like Santa may not have left any presents after all, but in the end Splat has the best Christmas ever.

Splat the Cat is as charming as ever in this Christmas story. As usual, Splat makes mistakes and is trying to be a good cat but worries about how things will turn out for him. This story may make some parents and teachers uncomfortable, however, because the whole focus is on Splat getting a big present, not about the spirit of Christmas or doing good for the sake of doing good and not for the rewards. Still, fans of Splat the Cat will enjoy this holiday story about their favorite character.