If You Give a Moose a Muffin

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What do you think would happen if a moose came to your house and asked for one of your freshly baked muffins? A small boy finds out in *If You Give a Moose a Muffin* by Laura Numeroff. Thankfully, his mom doesn’t notice the moose in their house! Children will giggle at the ways that the moose is personified in the illustrations. It’s a fun, exaggerated experience with cause and effect for children.

The creative illustrations by Felicia Bond begin with an endearing moose smelling the aroma of freshly baked muffins coming from a nearby home in the forest on the end pages. She uses lots of red and green in her colored pencil illustrations. There are hints of Numeroff’s other book *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* in a mouse sock puppet and a cookie magnet on the fridge. The illustrations contain almost another story, with more details and lots of crumbs. Through the illustrations, the reader is aware of what is going on while the mom in the story doesn’t—which is always a fun twist for kids!