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# Buster the Very Shy Dog in the Great Bone Game

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# Book Review

**Title:** Buster the Very Shy Dog in the Great Bone Game

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**Publisher:** Green Light Readers

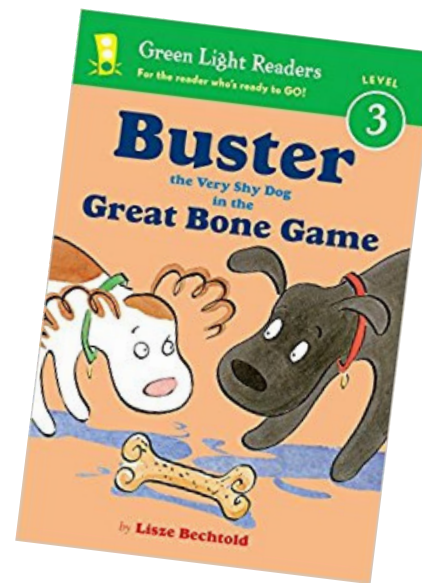
**Publication Year:** 2016

**ISBN:** 9780544667478

**Number of Pages:** 30

**Interest Level:** Preschool

**Rating:** Outstanding



## Review

Phoebe had all the bones for herself before Buster arrived, and she still wants all the bones even though he is here. When Buster follows Phoebe outside, he returns to find his bones gone! Phoebe helps him to train his bones to stay, but she is actually trying to get more of his bones. The dog next door has a ginormous bone and Phoebe wants his bone too! She tells Buster to make friends with him. Buster offers to help Gregory train his bone. They tell it to stay and then run around the house. When they get back it is gone! Luckily, Phoebe has found the bone, at least that's what they think, but she is actually trying to steal it!

This is a charming and fun early reader book with big characters. Phoebe is always plotting to trick other dogs out of their bones, but the goodhearted Buster always manages to stop her and remains unaware of her scheming. The characters in this book are so much fun and lighthearted, even Phoebe, who is more of a mischievous dog than a mean one, engages readers. Every page has pictures that humorously partner the narration. The book's two distinct, short chapters make it a great first chapter book. Buster the Very Shy Dog in the Great Bone Game is a terrific beginner reader book that will help kids enjoy reading!