Bear Snores On

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Review

How much noise does it take to wake up a bear sleeping through winter? Bear Snores On tells the funny tale of Bear sleeping while his friends Mouse, Hare, Gopher, Badger, Raven, and Wren come to his cave and eventually end up having a party! When Bear eventually wakes up due to the commotion he is sad that he has missed out on all the fun, so the forest friends start the festivities all over again and enjoy the rest of the night as a group.

Bear Snores On is a fun and poetic story that gives young children the chance to enjoy learning about friendship and animal habits. While not completely realistic, the story offers enough simple insight to the forest animals to prompt questions and discussion about the animals. This board book has thirty pages, but moves quickly due to the short, poetic stanzas on each page coupled with beautiful, realistic illustrations. As each new animal joins in on the fun, the story highlights the importance of friendship as pleasantries are exchanged and the different animals share their food with the group, working together to make the party a good time for all and highlighting the importance of sharing and getting along with others.