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Waiting for Snow

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Book Review

Title: Waiting for Snow
Author: Marsha Diane Arnold
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Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt
Year: 2016
ISBN: 9780544416871
Pages: 32
Interest Level: Toddler, Preschool
Rating: Excellent



Review

It's winter and Badger has yet to see a snowflake fall from the sky. Hedgehog encourages him to be patient, but being patient can be hard! Badger uses a telescope to look for snow and bangs on pots and pans to try to wake up the sky. After hearing the noise, Rabbit, Vole, and Possum join in, throwing pebbles at the sky in hope that the holes in the clouds will let snow loose. Vole suggests a snow dance, but no snow falls. The animals find other things to keep them busy, and when they wake up in the morning there is finally snow!

Young readers will enjoy this wintertime tale about little animals waiting for the first snowfall. Some of the animals in this story might be less familiar to young readers such as Badger and Vole. The illustrations are drawn with pencil and colored digitally, offering clean lines and adding to the sweet story. It can be hard for children to be patient, just like it was for these animals, but when they get creative and find things to keep them busy, everything works out in the end.