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Puppies! Puppies! Puppies!

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Reviewer: Charity Martin-Reno
Reading Level: Preschool, Primary
Rating: Excellent
Genre: Picture Book; Contemporary realistic poetry;
Subject: Dogs--Juvenile fiction; Animals--Infancy--Juvenile fiction; Stories in Rhyme; Books--Reviews;

The text follows the life of puppies from the moment they are born “with eyes shut tight,” through moving in with a new family, “getting bowls and beds and names,” and learning how to do things grown-up dogs do.

The musical cadence of rhyming couplets creates a smooth and lyrical flow that is enjoyable to read as well as to hear. The illustrations are soft, impressionistic paintings, full of pastel hues that are simultaneously calming and charming. The puppies in this story find themselves in all sorts of mischievous situations from “digging holes and making noise” to “running off with baby's toys” and are sure to bring a smile to any child or dog-lover's face.