My Bike

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Review

The main character Tom is on his way to work and although the title refers to his bike, the story actually is about how he uses it to get there. He chooses to ride a bike and describes it, and further describes everything he sees along the way on his path. Tom passes multiple types of vehicles, circus animals, and other things as well. Once he arrives at work, he also describes how he gets ready and what he does in the circus.

My Bike is entertaining and educational for young readers. There are plenty of sight words which make it easier for beginning readers. It has simple sentences and all the images are imaginative. The vibrant colors and the illustrations help children to follow the story line. The book actually provides plenty of critical thinking opportunities for a young reader. As Tom passes different vehicles, people, and circus animals, you can easily pause and ask a child where they think he is going, or ask what they think he does at work, or even what they think he will see next. The story is suspenseful and you want to keep reading to see what else Tom will pass on his way to work. All the animal characters and vehicles provided are believable and fit the description. This book would be perfect for a Kindergarten or 1st grade teacher. It could even be introduced in pre-school to learn about different colors and animals.