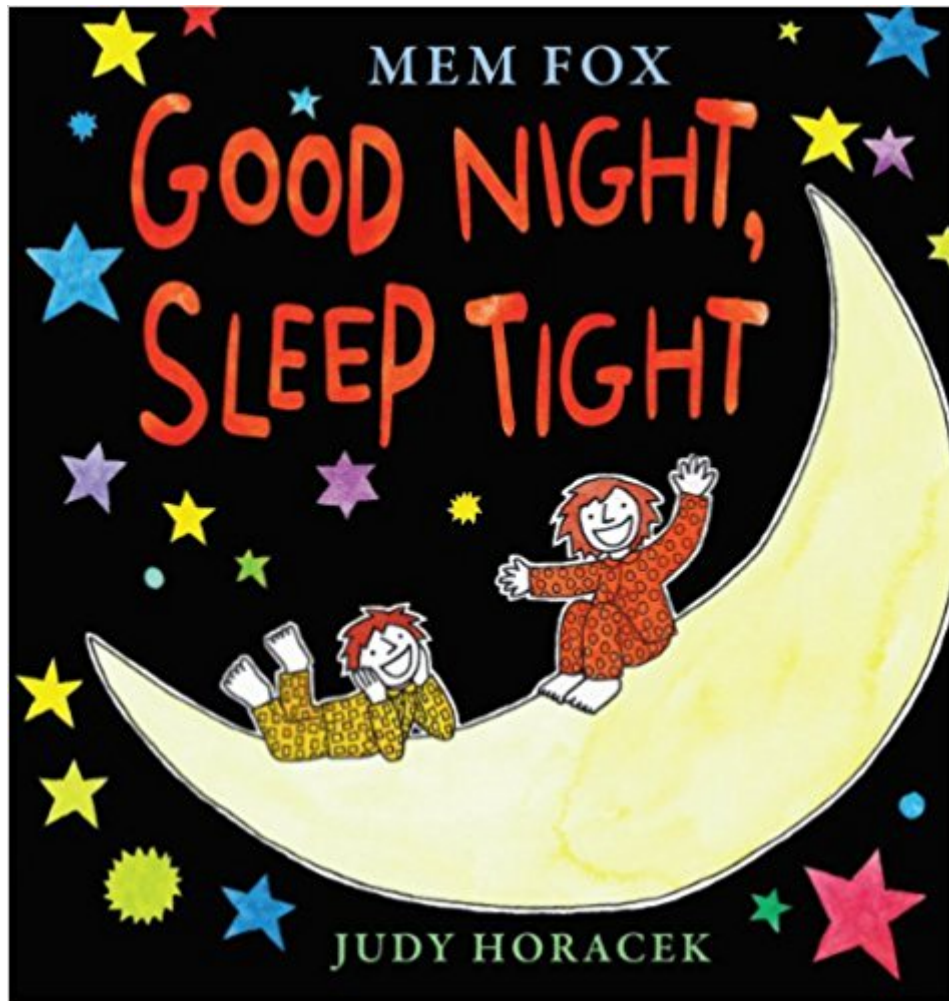




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# Good Night, Sleep Tight



## Synopsis

A sweet good-night story by internationally bestselling picture book author Mem Fox! GOOD NIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT reunites bestselling picture book author Mem Fox with illustrator Judy Horacek, following their collaboration on WHERE IS THE GREEN SHEEP? In this sweet story that's just perfect for bedtime reading, Bonnie and Ben's favorite babysitter tells them nursery rhymes at bedtime--including "It's raining! It's pouring! The old man is snoring"; "This little piggy went to market"; and more. Bonnie and Ben enjoy the stories so much that they don't want to go to sleep; they want to hear each one again! Instead the babysitter tells them new nursery rhymes until, finally, all three of them fall fast sleep.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

Ben and Bonnie's babysitter, Skinny Doug, has a cool way to put his charges to sleep--with familiar rhymes. Familiar to him, that is. "Good night, sleep tight. / Hope the fleas don't bite!" is one. "This Little Piggy" and "Pat-a-cake" are others. But they are new to the children, who say the same thing after each recitation: "We love it! We love it!" said Bonnie and Ben. "How does it go? Will you say it again?" Skinny Doug does not repeat,

though. Instead he says, "I'll tell you another. / I heard from my mother." (This interplay does get the tiniest bit tired by the book's end.) While a couple of the ditties will be new to American audiences (like "Round and round the garden / Like a teddy bear"), most will have children chanting along. The Quentin Blake-style pictures alternate between simple, warm scenes of Doug and his charges and the amusing ink-and-watercolor pictures that illustrate the rhymes, sometimes quite intricately. A fun book that will remind parents to pass along the golden oldies. **Preschool-Grade 1.** --Ilene Cooper

**TEN LITTLE FINGERS AND TEN LITTLE TOES** (by Mem Fox and Helen Oxenbury) "An instant classic... there's real magic at work here." --**PUBLISHERS WEEKLY** "Fox's lilting verse just has to be read aloud, and preschoolers will quickly pick up on and join in on the anticipated refrain." --**THE HORN BOOK MAGAZINE** Starred reviews in **PUBLISHERS WEEKLY**, **THE HORN BOOK MAGAZINE**, **SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL**, and **BOOKLIST** **WHERE IS THE GREEN SHEEP?** (by Mem Fox and illustrated by Judy Horacek) "This neat and satisfying wedding of text and art... Laughs and interactive play will ensue among readers and listeners, alone or in groups." --**BOOKLIST** **POSSUM MAGIC** (by Mem Fox and illustrated by Julie Vivas) "A perfect choice for storytimes." --**SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL** "Bedtime diversions and traditional rhymes are a winning combination here. When Bonnie and Ben's favorite baby sitter, Skinny Doug, offers a bedtime salute of "Good night, sleep tight. / Hope the fleas don't bite! he embarks on a command performance of seven traditional rhymes. The not-very-sleepy duo keeps him going, as he recites from his personal repertoire: "We love it! we love it!" said Bonnie and Ben. "How does it go? Will you say it again?" This catchy refrain follows each of the resourceful baby sitter's rhymes. To their entreaties to repeat each one, Skinny Doug replies, "I'll tell you another / I learned from my mother." After "Good night, sleep tight," Skinny Doug offers "It's raining, it's pouring," "This little piggy," "Pat-a-cake," "Round and round the garden," "This is the way the ladies ride," and "Star light, star bright." The engaging, economical framing text is memorable and sweetly appealing, sure to encourage little listeners to participate. The finite number of rhymes introduced before the baby sitter hustles Bonnie and Ben off to sleep is just right: It's enough for one sitting, where larger collections bring the inevitable negotiation about where to stop. Horacek's simple, solid lines and primary colors are friendly, cheery and almost exuberantly inviting. Sure to be requested and welcome for lapsits and

reciting together any time of day." - Kirkus starred review

Good Night, Sleep Tight is a delightful book for very young children giving them a great introduction to nursery rhymes. The rhyme and repetition also help give young children a wonderful start on their way to becoming readers. (The rhyme and repetition make it easier for children to "read" a book when they are very young~an essential pre-reading skill.) The only reason I gave it 4 rather than 5 stars is because of the illustrations. While cute and whimsical they aren't my favorites. Others may like them better than me. I recommend this to anyone looking for a fun book for small children.

This is one of the best children's books written! It incorporates several familiar rhymes in the context of a babysitter, Skinny Doug, putting his charges to bed. We love it!

We got this book from our local library and my 1.5 year old loved it so much, and recognized so many of the nursery rhymes and things in it that we had to buy our own copy. My 3.5 year old loves to repeat some of the rhymes from this too... it's a cute and fun book to interact with the kids before bed (without getting them too wild / riled up!)

Cute little rhymes that I have forgotten about. My 2.5 year old likes them. Rhymes like "this little piggy", "star light, star bright". I am glad I bought it. No regrets.

Grandson loves this book! Thanks

My kid likes all the poems. Love this book.

This was a fun book because our small children already know some or many of the jingles in the book and they can say them with us.

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