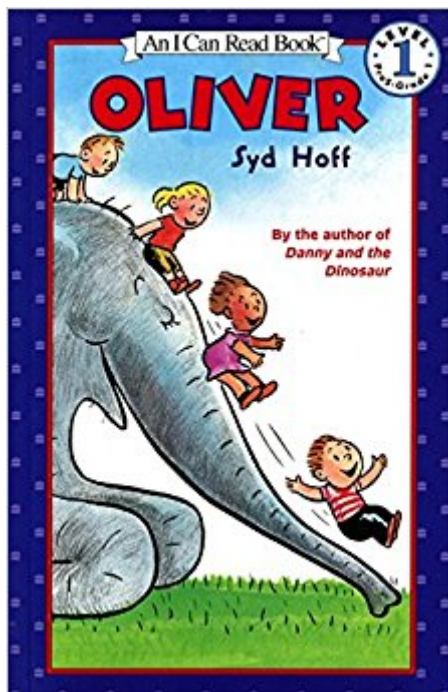


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# Oliver (I Can Read Level 1)



## Synopsis

Oliver has always wanted to be a dancing elephant, but what will he do when he discovers the circus already has enough elephants? Beginning readers will laugh out loud as they follow Oliver's adventures and find out how this elephant of unique charm and talent finally achieves his dream. Now available in full color!

## Book Information

Lexile Measure: 450 (What's this?)

Series: I Can Read Level 1

Paperback: 64 pages

Publisher: HarperCollins (April 5, 2000)

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Product Dimensions: 5.6 x 0.2 x 8.5 inches

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Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars 98 customer reviews

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

"Do you need an elephant?" Oliver has always dreamed of working in the circus, but what will he do when the circus already has enough elephants?

Syd Hoff was a much-loved and much-read author and illustrator of numerous books for children, most notably the Danny and the Dinosaur titles and Sammy the Seal. Born and raised in New York City, he studied at the National Academy of Design and sold his first cartoon to The New Yorker when he was eighteen. His cartoons became regular features in many magazines and newspapers. Sid Hoff was born in 1912 and died in 2004, at ninety-one. His books continue to delight readers worldwide. Syd Hoff was a much-loved and much-read author and illustrator of numerous books for

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Oliver is an elephant that dreams of dancing in the circus. When there is no space for him in the circus, he wanders around trying to find another vocation and home (e.g. he offers to be a pet to a woman that wants a dog) but nothing works out. Ultimately, the circus man sees Oliver dancing and offers Oliver a place in the circus. My child likes the book but it is not a favorite. Frankly, I think the reason she likes it as much as she does is because the illustrations and format are familiar to her from other Hoff books. Her favorite Hoff book is Sammy the Seal, which I also loved as a child. I think Sammy is a better book for children because its themes and subjects (e.g. the zoo and school) are more relatable than. My child also likes Hoff's Danny and the Dinosaur more than Oliver. So, I would recommend Sammy or Danny over Oliver.

If it matters at all to you, this book didn't look as it does in the picture. The blue sky that is pictured on the cover is actually a metallic silver on the one I received. Other than that, the contents of the book is just as I remembered it to be years ago.

Very cute story. Good quality paperback.

my 2 year old son loves elephants, and we love reading this book about Oliver! If your child enjoys Danny and the Dinosaur, I highly recommend adding this book to your library! Very easy words- will be wonderful to use when he is learning to read!

Wish they would reprint this book in hard copy. They could package it with a stuffed toy seal named Sammy. Everyone I give it too loves it!

I had this book when I was little I greatly enjoy being able to read it with my 2 yr old. The book came in great condition

Make sure you realize this is the small size!! Some of the pages are cropped, and you don't get the

full feel for the amazing artwork. We prefer the larger size book, which I found for \$5 at Barnes & Noble, since the color strokes and color combinations are beautiful to see.

given to my daughter-in-law to read to 1 year old as daughter-in-law remembered her mother reading it to her as a child

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