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# **Dream Snow**





## Synopsis

Eric Carle's classic Christmas book is Â now available as a board book! Perfect for holiday gift-giving and stocking stuffing. It's December 24th, and the old farmer settles down for a winter's nap, wondering how Christmas can come when there is no snow! In his dream he imagines a snowstorm covering him and his animals  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} \neg \hat{a}$  •named One, Two, Three, Four and Five  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} \neg \hat{a}$  •in a snowy blanket. But when the farmer awakens, he finds that it has really snowed outside, and now he remembers something! Putting on his red suit, he goes outside and places A A gifts under the tree for his animals, bringing holiday cheer to all. Clever lift-the-flaps reveal the animals hidden under the snow in the farmer's dream, making this board book edition a treat for all ages. Praise for Dream Snow: "Few in number are the parents who have made it through their toddler's years on just one copy of Carle's The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Dream Snow has similar ingredients: a simple story, lively collage-like illustrations and a fun gimmick for little hands . . . "  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} - \hat{a}$  •Time"This is a simple, well-told story about a simple farmer. . . . Viewers. . . will want to get their hands on it."  $\tilde{A}\phi \hat{a} - \hat{a}$  •The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books"Carle fans and toddlers learning the basics will . . . enjoy the gentle text and creative design features."  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a} -\hat{a}$  •Booklist"The pictures are in Carle's trademark richly colored and textured collages that capture the snowy magic of Christmas." â⠬⠕Kirkus Reviews

### **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: AD300L (What's this?) Board book: 22 pages Publisher: Philomel Books; Ltf Brdbk edition (October 13, 2015) Language: English ISBN-10: 0399173145 ISBN-13: 978-0399173141 Product Dimensions: 7.1 x 0.7 x 7.1 inches Shipping Weight: 12 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars 159 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #153,637 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #160 in Â Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > Science Studies > Nature > Weather #193 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Where We Live > Farm Life #314 in Â Books > Children's Books > Animals > Farm Animals Grade Level: Preschool and up

#### **Customer Reviews**

It's almost Christmas and it hasn't snowed yet. As the farmer naps on his small farm, he dreams of being covered in a gentle blanket of new snow. Then, one by one, he dreams of each of his five animals (aptly named One, Two, Three, Four, and Five) being covered as well. When he awakens, he discovers that real snow--not dream snow--has fallen. And "Oh my! Oh my! I almost forgot," the farmer shouts, and, bundling up, hurries out to his tree (named Tree) with a box and a sack, looking remarkably familiar in his white beard and red suit. After decorating Tree, the farmer shouts "Merry Christmas to all!" and pushes a button for a surprise Yuletide jingle. Young fans of Eric Carle's The Very Quiet Cricket, The Very Clumsy Click Beetle, and other multisensory books, will delight in pushing the same microchip button the farmer pushes to hear the tinkling, oddly eerie holiday tune. In an even more unusual departure from standard picture books, Carle inserts a clear plastic sheet, covered with snowflakes and a white blanket, before each illustration of the dreaming farmer and his animals. Turn the plastic page to discover what kind of critter lies beneath the snow. Carle's magnificent collages, as always, are the heart and soul of his books. (Ages 3 to 8) --Emilie Coulter --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Ages 2-6. Visual and musical gimmicks enhance Carle's signature bright, textured collages in this holiday-cum-counting story. A white-bearded farmer lives the simple life with a few animals that he names One through Five. Children don't find out which number matches which animal, though, until they follow the farmer through a visually clever dream. "It's almost Christmas, and it hasn't snowed yet," says the farmer. But as he sleeps, he envisions snow falling, covering each of his animals, while the text counts along--"The snowflakes gently covered One with a blanket"---a plastic sheet printed with snow overlays each page, concealing the collage images until readers lift the page and discover that One is a horse, Two is a cow, etc. Dream becomes reality when the farmer awakes to a white world and hurries outside (dressed in Santa coat and boots) with presents for the animals and ornaments for a tree that, thanks to a changeable battery pack, plays a chiming tune at the press of a button. Although this is more an exercise than a story, Carle fans and toddlers learning the basics will still enjoy the gentle text and creative design features. Gillian EngbergCopyright  $\hat{A}$   $\hat{A}$  American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

The illustrations are beautiful and the story is well written but the fancy snow pages are not implemented well at all. When I got to the first one I thought I got a faulty book and then I realized that is the way it was made. It would make more sense to show the picture then you turn the snowy

page on to it after reading that he dreamt of snow that covered him as a blanket. As it is you turn the page and all you see is snow and a big white blob, then you read that he dreamt of snow that covered him like a blanket then you lift the snow page and just see him. It should be reversed, see him then cover him with the snow page. What really got me was that the snow pages cover his animals which he calls One, Two, Three, Four and Five before you even get to meet them in the book or know what kind of animals they are. My son kept seeing snow pages with white blobs saying "Whats that" What is that supposed to be"It really is a shame because I love Eric Carle's books and the artwork that goes with them. This one missed the mark for me especially at that price. I boxed it up for return with in an hour of opening it.

beautiful book and good (but simple) story...classic Eric Carle both story and illustration style. Overlay pages tend to curl up a lot...hoping as the book sits on shelf the curl will eventually get cured. Just a heads up on the surprise button/music at the end. NOT very impressive. The music is VERY quiet and very short...and not a regular Christmas song. So don't expect a Christmas song you can really hear. I thought maybe I got a defective book, but I found several youtube videos of story readers doing the book out loud...and the song was just as quiet on their videos (like you could barely hear it)

I feel like this is a hidden jem amoung Eric Carle books. I saw it in board book form and wasn't impressed. Get the large hardback version. It's interactive and has a musical button at the end which my son loves. Its almost Easter but my son can love Christmas everyday with this book.

Loved Eric Carle books ever since I was a kid. Now that I have kids of my own, I read them his books as well. This book doesn't offer much content, although the artwork is as beautiful as always. If I could have picked this book up in the store and read through it, I probably would not have purchased it.

In description it says push button on last page for song. Board book has no button for sound. It has lift flaps but no sound. It's a beautiful book but description is incorrect.

Student favorite. My ASD kids love touching the snow dots.

I love the original of this book, the glossy flaps to peek through, the surprise musical ending,

however the board book doesn't measure up. It has flaps, which always tear and difficult for young children to use and no surprise at the end. The pictures are still lovely but it is NOT magical like the original. Disappointing.

I bought both the book and advent calendar for my 4 and 2 yr old grandsons. The 4 yr old loved both, wanting to eat the same thing as Santa ate for breakfast and running downstairs each morning, before anyone else was awake, to open the next ornament on the calendar! Would highly recommend both book and calendar.

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