Hooray For St. Patrick's Day! (Lift-the-Flap, Puffin)
Synopsis

It's Saint Patrick’s Day, and time to join in the celebration. Children can lift the flaps for interactive fun as they see the children in this book make holiday crafts, taste traditional Irish food, perform a play about Saint Patrick, and even march in a Saint Patrick’s Day parade. As an added bonus, they can search for the hidden leprechaun on each spread. A great way for young readers to learn about and enjoy the holiday.

Book Information

Age Range: 3 - 5 years
Series: Lift-the-Flap, Puffin
Paperback: 16 pages
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Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars Å See all reviews (14 customer reviews)

Customer Reviews

ISBN 0142300616 - Since I’ve found so few St. Patrick’s Day books for kids this year, I was really hoping for a lot from this one. I’m somewhat disappointed. On the other hand, this was the first paperback lift-the-flap book I’ve ever found and that made up for it, a bit. A group of children prepare for, and celebrate, St. Patrick’s Day. They perform a play, make crafts, dance and have a picnic, among other things. Lift-able flaps hide surprises for young readers. There is a leprechaun hidden on every page, which makes for a simple, easy game to play while you read. This book is marked for ages 2 to 6; that age group is fairly accurate. I would think the pre-reading set will enjoy this book more than older children. Author Joan Holub’s rhyming text would be better if it was consistent throughout. Most pages have two lines of rhyming text and a totally unrelated, non-rhyming line under the flap. This throws off any sense of rhythm the book might have and then, just to further confuse matters, there’s one page where the rhyming line IS the line under the flap. Paul Meisel’s
illustrations are fun, colorful and cute and it’s great that the children are of various ethnic backgrounds. The pages are thin cardboard, so they’re slightly sturdier than paper; the flaps are glued-on pieces, which stand up to some handling, but will tear with some minor effort. For homeschooling parents, those who just like to teach their kids new things, or those who’d like to introduce some Irish facts with the St. Patrick’s Day fun, there’s a small (5 word) glossary inside the back cover.- AnnaLovesBooks

My children ages 6 and 3 really enjoyed this book. they really got a kick out of the flaps that you lift up and see what’s under it.

As a kindergarten teacher, I try to buy new books each year to pair with my units, and this one was a great find! The kids always enjoy a “Lift-the-Flap” book. I think maybe one of the flaps was torn off this year, but I taped it right back in and it will be good to go for next year as well. These types of books generally last about 5 cycles in the classroom, but my own children have dozens of books with flaps in their library, and they rarely ever rip one out. It is an informative book as well with fun facts scattered throughout. The illustrations are bright and colorful as well.

This book arrived in pristine condition. Our local "Library Lady" has added it to her must have-collection. The library operates strictly on donations and volunteers. This book was very economically priced.

This is a cute book with brief ideas to do on St. Patrick’s Day. As the summary says, it is fun and interactive. However, if you are looking for a book that tells brief history of St. Patrick’s Day, this is not it.I have read a couple of other “flap books” from this author and this one was just as enjoyable as the others. It was fun to look on each page for that ever elusive leprechaun and to discover him hiding in different places. Sometimes, you really had to look intently. I liked that the author gave traditional ideas for celebrating the holiday but made it the way kid’s would do it. I really enjoyed the page with the kids dancing. Looking carefully, you could catch a few other characters that were also celebrating. Too fun! The author writes in poetic rhyme and in the back of the book there is a brief glossary of difficult word terms. This is pretty standard for her younger children’s books and I think it is a plus. The book’s illustrations are done in simple line drawings and are of course colored in traditional Irish colors. Adorable! Great little book. Happy St. Patrick’s Day! 4 stars! Disclosure: I received a copy of this book for my open and honest opinion. The views expressed here are 100%
my own and may differ from yours. ~Naila Moon

We read our 28 month old son at least 3 books before bed every night (sometimes 5) ... to keep my husband and I from getting bored, I buy new books every month based on the season. This was an awesome book - lots of interactive touches and my son loves finding the leprechaun on each page ... I wish there was a book like this for every holiday.

Great book, if you just look at pictures and words. But the flaps are difficult to open... they are too close to the center spine and don’t open smoothly, and card stock is kind of flimsy! With a little more care to detail, this would have been the best St. Patrick’s Day book out there!

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