Messy Bessey's Holidays (Rookie Readers: Level B (Pb))
**Synopsis**

Rookie Readers RM have provided entertaining, high-quality introductions to reading for more than a generation. Each title features full-color, often hilarious illustrations and engaging stories that always involve a young child figuring out concepts or solving problems on his or her own. Every new title contains a Word List and a color-coded reading-level key on the back cover.

**Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 630 (What's this?)

Series: Rookie Readers: Level B (Pb)

Hardcover: 30 pages

Publisher: Perfection Learning (September 1, 1999)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0756936241


Product Dimensions: 6.1 x 0.4 x 7.1 inches

Shipping Weight: 6.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars

Best Sellers Rank: #2,425,434 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #50 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Kwanzaa #422 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Jewish #5077 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Christmas

Age Range: 6 and up

Grade Level: 1 and up

**Customer Reviews**

Short stories with good color illustrations. Pictures are fair - easy to read, with good information in the 5 to 8 year old age group. Short 1 character settings around Christmas, Kwanzaa, Chanukah, and New Year's. I would recommend this one to K through the 2nd grade levels.

The Messy Bessey Collection is a great set of books that teaches girls about responsibility and manners. It is also a great book for little African American girls. This book also teaches different culture customs during the holidays.

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cookies for her friends and neighbors and this time the mess she makes is in the kitchen. The book touches briefly on the holidays of Chanukah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa. To that end, Bessey and her mom make cookies in different shapes which they then share out. An example of text follows. Menorahs, candles, fruits, and bells are signs of the holidays. All over, people celebrated in many different ways. Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Chanukah, no matter what the reason, here’s a gift from Bess to you to celebrate the season. The book then ends with a recipe for sugar cookies. [My son likes the book so much he makes me read the recipe. Go figure--lol] Four Stars. Can’t beat a Primer that promotes cleaning up after oneself. This Messy Bessey is about the winter time holidays. The vocabulary is rather harder in this book than other Bessey’s because of the holiday words themselves and it is listed as 2.3 on the Accelerated Reading scale. Or in other words, this book is suitable for a child reading at the [...]. Harder words include: community, celebrate, hillside, shepherds, wonderful, and working. 123 different words.~ review by Pam T.~

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