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# The Book With No Pictures



## Synopsis

A #1 New York Times bestseller, this innovative and wildly funny read-aloud by award-winning humorist/actor B.J. Novak will turn any reader into a comedian. You might think a book with no pictures seems boring and serious. Except . . . here's how books work. Everything written on the page has to be said by the person reading it aloud. Even if the words say . . . BLORK. Or BLUURF. Even if the words are a preposterous song about eating ants for breakfast, or just a list of astonishingly goofy sounds like BLAGGITY BLAGGITY and GLIBBITY GLOBBITY. Cleverly irreverent and irresistibly silly, *The Book with No Pictures* is one that kids will beg to hear again and again. (And parents will be happy to oblige.)

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

This book is the worst. What a scam. My kids tricked me into reading it to them at bedtime - TWICE - and they had so much fun and laughed so hard that I have no idea how I will ever get them to fall asleep. Well played, Mr. Novak.

I pre-ordered this ages ago, so it was a fun surprise to get today. A really fun read. My six-year-old (who can read) and my four-year-old (who thinks he can read) boys were laughing a lot. We read it twice in a row. I appreciate the silliness and interactive nature of the book, as well as the bigger lesson that even books without pictures can be fun. I initially rated it 4 stars because I'm kind of a

stinker at giving full marks. But I'm changing it because we've been reading the book all day. My boys were so excited to make their dad read it tonight...they really felt they were playing the greatest trick on him. :) Thanks, Mr. BJ Novak!

My kids think this is HI-lar-i-ous. We have read this 9 times in the last 48 hours. They are ages 4 and 7, and think this is the funniest thing they have come across in a long time. Very imaginative and interactive.

Toddlers and preschoolers may love illustrated stories, but this is one book that needs no pictures. Even though "The Book with No Pictures" has no illustrations but because children also love silly sounds, absurd words, and having the adults in their life act like children, they will love this book. B.J. Novak's imaginative, fun-to-read and even more fun-to-listen-to "The Book with No Pictures" is as enjoyable for the reader as for the listener. The "rule" when reading "The Book with No Pictures" is that the reader MUST say the words printed in the book. "... No matter what..." Following the introductory pages, the fun begins. Unusual words and phrases printed in bold colors and different fonts require the reader, when reading aloud, to abandon any inhibitions and to emit silly - and to the listening child, delightfully funny - sounds or to speak absurd sentences or phrases. I liked that "The Book with No Pictures" imparts the message that reading books, even books with no pictures, is a joyful experience. You will have as much fun reading "The Book with No Pictures" as your child/grandchild will have watching you read and listening to your words. Be prepared to "Read it again!" - words I have often heard from my grandson as I read the last page and prepare to close this book. I recommend "The Book with No Pictures" as another wonderful addition to your own or to your little one's library.

Best. Book. Ever. Such a brilliant idea. We have had the book less than two full days and we have read it at least ten times. My kids think it's great to hear their totally serious dad say things like "BooBoo Butt." Shows kids that the words and ideas can be just as good as pictures, if not better! We will be buying a copy for our nieces and nephews for Christmas.

Thank you BJ Novak! I saw the trailer to this book, and I knew I had to have it for my grandson's bedtime books! I bought it for his sixth birthday. My grandson has high-functioning autism that is improving with naturopathy and therapy. There was a time with no giggles and snuggles. Wow, was this the PERFECT book for us! My grandson is resistant to changes in his "line-up" of books, so I

introduced this during the day to him. He went from being oppositional to a "book with no pictures" to laughing hysterically and snuggling up on me for the NEXT PAGE! When I think about that first read, I get teary. Parents and grandparents, teachers and caregivers, family and ALL grown-ups, this is your time to SHINE SILLY and enjoy a fantastic time with your kids, grandkids, etc... Just Brilliant! 5 stars only because I can't give 100! Don't miss this book!

Great book! My 5 year old laughed and laughed while I read this book. The best part is the "no pictures" because as you read, you have to keep reading, "because those are the rules," and as the words direct the reader, you have to read "all the words," even silly words, and call yourself a monkey, and then a robot monkey, and on and on. My son found this hilarious. My son stared at all the words with a smile while I read. When I was done reading, he said I have to read it again tomorrow night. :) Don't let the "no pictures" part of the book sway you from buying this fantastic children's book.

Very silly and my kids loved every second of it! I would highly recommend this book!

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