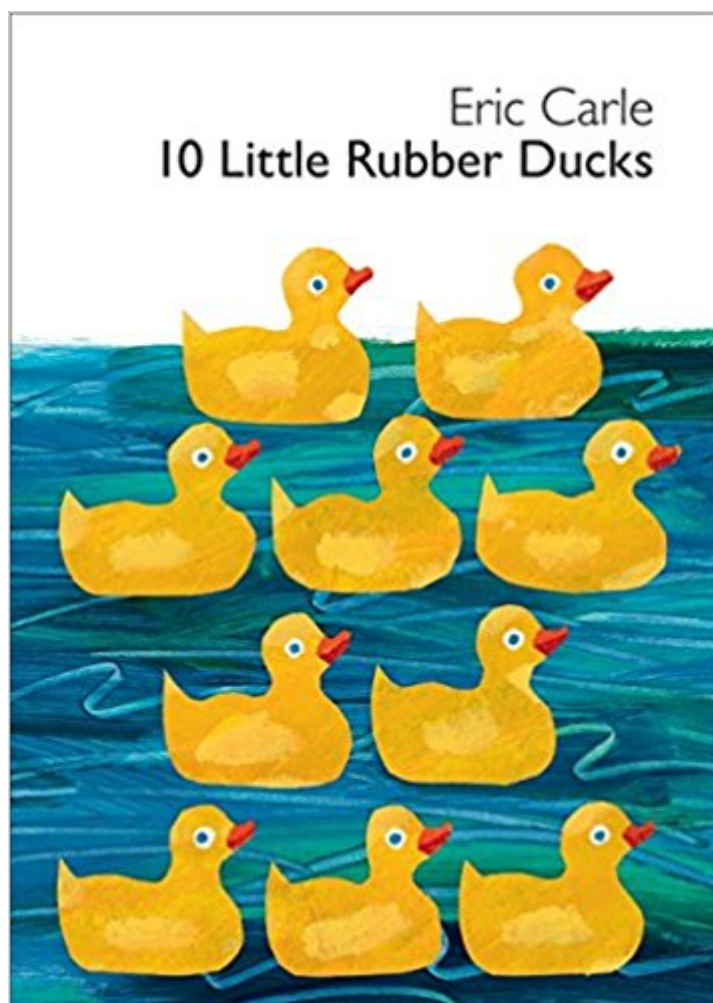


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10 Little Rubber Ducks Board Book (World Of Eric Carle)



Synopsis

Ahoy! "All aboard for a world of learning and fun!" Ducks overboard!" shouts the captain, as a giant wave washes a box of 10 little rubber ducks off his cargo ship and into the sea. The ducks are swept away in various directions. One drifts west, where a friendly dolphin jumps over it. A whale sings to another. But as the sun sets, the 10th little rubber duck is left all alone, bobbing helplessly on the big wide sea. Small readers and listeners will empathize with the little duck's plight and will rejoice at the heartwarming surprise ending. In this poignant and funny story, illustrated with strikingly designed collages, Eric Carle takes readers on an exciting voyage of discovery. Following the little ducks as they float to all parts of the globe, young explorers can see for themselves the meanings of directional words and learn simple math concepts, such as counting and the use of cardinal and ordinal numbers. Each creature the ducks meet is seen in its own habitat and behaves in a true-to-life manner, offering a very simple first view of biology and geography. "A wonderful read-aloud for storytimes or one-on-one sharing. It's a definite 10," commented *School Library Journal* in a starred review. "Beautifully composed illustrations," said *Booklist*. "As sublimely simple and endearing as the playthings it portrays," agreed *Publishers Weekly*. This board book edition with sturdy pages is perfect to share with toddlers. Note that this edition does not include a squeaker at the end.

Book Information

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Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

Customer Reviews

Starred Review. PreSchool-Grade 1 - Carle takes an actual incident, when numerous bathtub toys fell off a container ship and floated to various places, and distills it to create a marvelous counting/concept adventure. The story opens at a factory where assembly-line workers are painting details onto bright yellow rubber ducks. The toys are then loaded onto a freighter destined for faraway countries. During a storm, 10 rubber ducks fall into the sea. Each one floats in a different direction - west, east, north, south, left, right, up, down, this way, and that way - and encounters a different animal (a dolphin, seal, polar bear, etc.). The 10th one meets a mother duck with her offspring and bobs along with them to their nest. The ducks all bid "Good night" to one another with a "Quack," while the newcomer says "Squeak!" (Children can press the page to hear a squeak.) Carle's signature cut-paper collages burst with color, texture, light, and motion, delighting the eye and bringing out the text's nuances. The ordinal numbers are shown in bold type that stands out from the narrative. More accessible to younger readers than Eve Bunting's *Ducky* (Clarion, 1997), this book makes a wonderful read-aloud for storytimes or one-on-one sharing. It's a definite 10. - Linda Staskus, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Parma, OH Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

PreS-Gr. 1. A ship loaded with boxes of rubber ducks is traveling across the sea when a storm blows up and dumps 10 of the toys into the water. The ducks bob along together for a while, but soon they drift in different directions, each encountering an animal, such as a dolphin, a seal, a polar bear, and a flamingo. The last little duck is adopted by a mother duck, floating along with her ducklings. When the real ducks end their day with a goodnight "quack," the rubber duckie, aided by children who "press here" on the duck's body, manages a squeak. The simple, appealing story is greatly enhanced by beautifully composed illustrations. From the distinctive use of negative space on the title page and the watery finger-paint effects in some ocean scenes to the rich combination of patterns on the final double-page spread, Carle uses cut-paper collage with a fine sense of freedom and artistry. Carolyn Phelan Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

My one year old son LOVES Eric Carle illustrations. This particular book is more advanced than some of the others, describing the process of shipping ducks, and what might happen if they fell off a ship in transit. As always, the illustrations are gorgeous and colorful. The plot is fun, especially as

the ducks float off to different corners of the ocean. It's a great addition to our little one's library.

Great book!!! My 20 month old loves ducks, I saw this book and knew I had to have it for her. She loves the story and we read it 5+ times each day(literally). Its a great story and wonderful to reinforce counting skills, she points and we count together, over and over. Other than counting, there are sequential numbers(1st, 2nd, etc), as well as direction, east west, etc. Its a great fun learning book where my kids dont even realize theyre learning...isnt it great when that happens?!? :-)My 3yr old usually gets in on the action once or twice a day and counts the ducks for her sister. She thinks shes teaching her sister, but she is learning too!!

Eric Carle's illustrations are as beautiful as ever in this simple counting story. My whole family loves this book. The squeaker at the end is a big hit with kids. This is one of my go-to books to give as a baby gift.

While I love Eric Carle's words and illustrations, this board book is not as good as the hardcover edition. Yes, the story is exactly the same, but the font in this book is quite small, so it might be harder for some people to see/read. The biggest disappointment for me, though, was the lack of the squeaky rubber duck at the end. We have board book versions of other Eric Carle books, and they still have their "special" last page: "The Very Quiet Cricket" board book still makes noise; "The Lonely Firefly" board book still lights up... I could have sworn we even had a board book version of this in the past that had a thicker final page and still had the rubber duck embedded, but this one does not. It just doesn't even feel like the same book without that added element. If I had known there was no squeaker in this one, I wouldn't have bought it for my niece. If I had to sum up my experience in one word, it would be "disappointment."

We have quite a few Eric Carle's books and this is one of my favorites. My one year old's favorite is still the Hungry Caterpillar but I like this because the story is longer with more colorful characters and illustration. Maybe she will change her mind as she grows older!

I got this book for my duck obsessed toddler. It starts off slow and she usually skips the beginning and just likes the pages where you see where all the rubber ducks went. Very cute ending! Nice sturdy board book.

I bought this book for our Eric Carle collection because I love this illustrations so much. The Very Hungry Caterpillar was the first book I got my child and she fell in love with the story and the pictures so we have branched out into additional books by Eric Carle. The book has quite a bit of text on the first couple pages which is great because it isn't a super fast story like some kid's books. The rubber ducks start off in a factory being created and their journey takes them on a cargo ship and then around the world to meet different animals. The first few pages are in-depth and then on each page after the ducks fall off of the cargo ship, they meet a new animal. I like that the animals in this book aren't the traditional animals that are in children's stories. They meet a dolphin, octopus, other ducks, whale, flamingo, etc. We love all of the animals and getting to meet what part of the world they are from (ex. Polar Bear in the North). This story also teaches directions since the ducks go all over the world. Overall a great story and I would highly recommend for your collection!

Cute story. My son has started liking rubber ducks recently during bath, so he likes the story about them.

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