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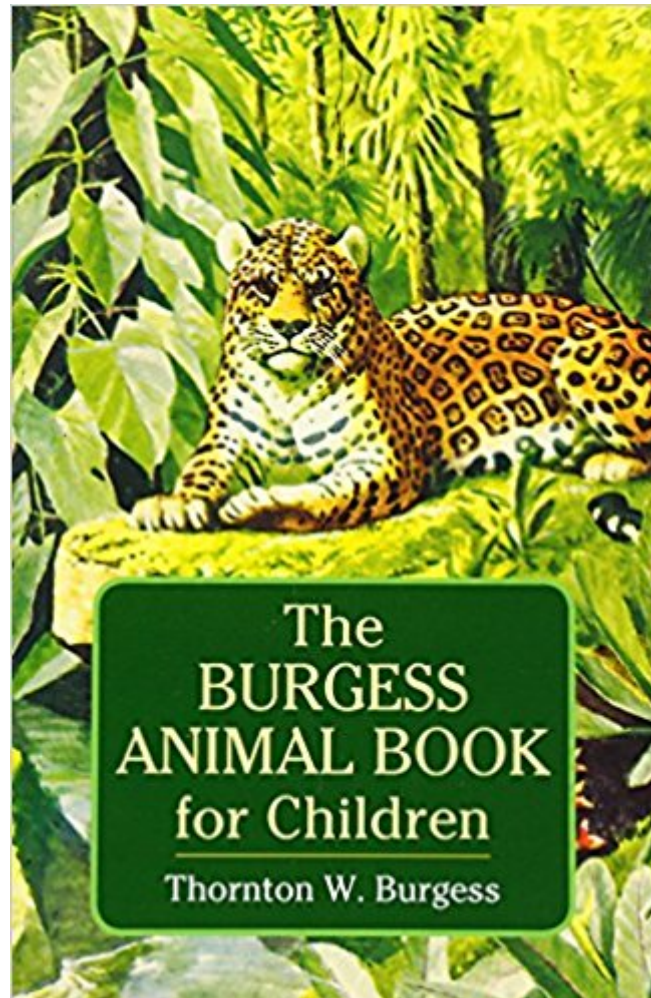
Synopsis

When Jenny Wren learns that Peter Rabbit would like to know more about the four-footed friends who share the Green Meadows and Green Forest with him, she encourages him to speak with Old Mother Nature who is only too happy to help. During their "classroom" chats, she not only teaches Peter about Arctic Hare and Antelope Jack but also tells him about such creatures as Flying Squirrel, Mountain Beaver, Pocket Gopher, Grasshopper Mouse, Silvery Bat, Mule Deer, and Grizzly Bear.Told with all the warmth and whimsy of Burgess's stories, this engaging book acquaints youngsters with many forms of wildlife and the animals' relationships with one another. The charming collection of entertaining tales is sure to transport today's young readers to the same captivating world of nature that delighted generations of children before them.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Author and conservationist Thornton W. Burgess (1874Ã¢â ¬â œ1965) wrote thousands of animal stories for children, starting with the 1910 publication of Old Mother West Wind. Burgess's tales convey his fascination with wildlife and his concern for nature, teaching gentle lessons about ecology and respect for the environment.

Ahhh Burgess books. They are classics. These books are filled with facts about animals, written in

story form. True "living books." They have substance, which many modern books for children lack. I loved reading these when I was a kid, and have enjoyed reading them with my children. Great for kids that love animals and great literature!

Haven't finished it yet, but my immediate reaction is that this will be a disappointment to most people who are fascinated by the tales of Peter Rabbit. It seems to have been written as a teaching aid for children about different species of the same kind of animal, taught by Mother Nature. Peter is challenged to find out more about his cousins in the rabbit and hare family and is subsequently joined by others to find out about cousins they did not know they had. I will finish reading this later, but obviously it has not been for me a "can't put it down" spellbinder. ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â •Dan

Really brings nature up close and personal. My son loves learning about the different animals in the way that it is drawn out in this story. We decided to get this book after falling in love with the Burgess Bird Book.

The Burgess books are wonderful! They tell stories from the point of view of animals, and are filled with interesting facts that are part of the story. Fun to read, and more fun to read aloud to children.

Not that impressed with the pictures

I recently found a copy of The Burgess Bird Book for Children that I'd been given as a little girl. To make my trip down memory lane complete, I wanted to read The Burgess Animal Book for Children. And such a wonderful experience to read Mr. Burgess's descriptions of our childhood friends: Peter Rabbit, Happy Jack the Grey Squirrel, Reddy Fox, Paddy Beaver, Unc' Billy Possum, and very many others whom we wouldn't remember as easily: Shadow the Weasel, Glutton the Wolverine, Tufty the Lynx, Forkhorn the Mule Deer, Bugler the Elk, and more and more! I was exclaiming aloud as I rediscovered those old friends that Mr. Burgess described in such detail. This book is as relevant today as when it was first published in 1910. It's a read aloud book. Though it would be best to have a hard copy with the illustrations that were included in the original book. Such a fun read!

Let me stress that the 3 stars are because the service from the people selling the book was first rate. What made this hardback book only "ok" is that there are NO illustrations in it. LOL and some

of the other reviewers were complaining about only having black & white photos!? Yes, the Burgess stories are excellent, of course, but illustrations were a part of the original issue. Disappointed!

I'm assuming my granddaughter is enjoying these, but I just wish they had a table of contents with each CD so we could tell where we wanted to go to listen to what story.

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