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At once funny and informative, *Yaks Yak* presents animals acting out the verbs made from their names. Illustrations rich in comic details show hogs hogging, slugs slugging, and other spirited creatures demonstrating homographs, words with different meanings that are spelled and pronounced the same. A chart listing the words, their meanings, and their history is included. Ideal for sharing, this book offers a sprightly and fanciful introduction to a fun form of wordplay.

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From Reader Review Yaks Yak: Animal Word Pairs for online ebook

April Thompson says

Slugs slug
Bats bat

Lindsey says

This was fun to read with my daughter and see if she knew what all the verbs meant.

Gemma says

Very good for being both entertaining and educating. Younger kids may just enjoy the cute & colourful illustrations of animals acting out, while older readers may learn new words or phrases & their origins. I like how at the end of the book the author includes a list of the words, their origin (ex. from the Tibetan word for ... from the Old English ... etc.), and the possible reasons for their attribution (ex. From the animal's behavior).

Victoria says

Clever. Great art work. I could say it will help your kids understand nouns and verbs, but that makes the book sound too school-y. It is playful and fun. The page that clinched the 5-star rating for me - the flounders floundering - "I don't know where I am..."

Just too darn cute.

Bethe says

not really a story, not really a NF vocabulary book. Love the illustrations of the animals doing the verb named after them. The true gem is in the back matter that explains the word origins, for the both animal noun and the verb. Back matter starts off with the solution to that age old problem, what exactly is a homophone/homograph/homonym? Look closely at the illustrations, there are some hidden puns or additonal meanings.

Courtney says

This would be a great book to use in a homographs

Shayna R. says

Found it highly disappointing. I was hoping for at least a little more content than just two words for each idea.

High Plains Library District says

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Angie says

I came across this today and couldn't help myself; I read it on the spot.

It is a juvie picture book and it enthralled me anyway.

It has silly pictures of yaks yakking amongst the other yaks in the herd. I laughed out loud at the drawing of the steers, each careening in a carnival bumper car. Just delightful.

So, I heartily recommend this silly story!

Natalie says

Yaks yak, while slugs slug it out, grumpy rams ram and bats play with their bats. Charming in every way possible. The pictures are adorably comical. My personal favorite are the fish fishing for compliments.

Super fun book! Can't wait to use it with a lesson on homographs.

Karen Gibson says

Excellent book, great illustrations, perfect for teaching nouns/verbs in a creative way.

Michelle says

Great for teaching new vocabulary! And funny!

Melanie says

I could see using this with English Language Learners in the upper grades as well as with a younger audience. It was a great way to talk about language. My preschooler got a kick out of many of the illustrations. He'd say, "That is just so silly!" and belly laugh.

Lynn says

A giggle-inducing look at homographs that will cement the concept firmly and painlessly in reader's minds. Reinhardt's illustrations are wonderfully funny and very worth lingering over. The extensive graph at the end is really nice for word nerds and is a nice model for classroom differentiation.

Banner Rodgers says

Love the illustrations. Good way to introduce new words and their definitions.
