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Duck's truck is stuck in the muck. Who will help him out?

First, frog lends a hand. Then sheep helps push, too. But duck's truck won't come unstuck! Can anyone help him get out of the muck? Or is duck out of luck?

Find out in this rollicking read-aloud by the inimitable Jez Alborough.

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From Reader Review Duck in the Truck for online ebook

Miss Lasko-Gross says

The Duck is an asshole

Sarah Coles says

I enjoyed this amusing story about a duck who gets stuck in some mud and requires some help from his friends to get on his way again safely. I thought that it had a teachable 'moral' about being kind towards people who need help, and I really liked the way that the illustrations were laid out on each page.

However, I read this book for the first time today in a Nursery setting and the children really enjoyed it, so I have to say, my review/rating is more based on that evidence than my personal response. Even at three years of age the children recognised and followed the rhyme and by the end, even began to anticipate the text.

Whilst the text could be adapted for older children to emphasise the use of rhyme, at the simplest level it was a real joy to participate in reading the story aloud together with the youngest readers.

Portable says

This rollicking, rhyming story of friendship, good ideas, and lots of mud, is a favourite classroom read. Great for sequencing, thinking about rhyme, and thinking of ideas. Duck's truck is stuck in the muck - how can his friends help him?

Jennifer says

Man, Duck is a jerk...

Samantha Penrose says

I don't know what to say about this book other than I just love it!

My boys and I have been borrowing it from libraries and reading it for years! We just bought our own board book version....

My 18 month old just cant get enough of this...it must be read to him over and over...my four and six year olds love to comply when I am busy.

We all love the attitude that we give to duck as he informs an impatient sheep that he cannot get out of the way because his truck is stuck...my 18 month old especially loves the "slurp and squelch and suck as the sheep steps slowly through the muck".

I highly recommend this book to all--its cute, funny, rhymey (which I get that some people aren't into...why I don't know....)

I read a review by someone else who thought that the ducks behavior in the end of the book was harsh, but I

think that its just ducks personality....he is very self involved....anyhow, it gives the opportunity for a discussion about being gracious, thankful, helpful, etc....good friends/bad friends....the world ain't perfect yo!
*if I'm not mistaken, the board book version doesn't omit anything, it just condenses the story onto fewer pages(by squishing three pages onto one, think comic book style)...its been a while since I've seen the paper page version though...I'll have to check on that...

Ruth says

I think this book is full of rhyme and colour that would be great in a key stage one classroom. The children would really enjoy the humour of this book.

Shaurya Jain says

The story of the book is rhyming. The illustrations are very nice and I love to read how the animals come together and help the selfish duck. I love to see how the animals are peeping and want to see where the duck is stuck. The book is designed like a comic, where there are four images, showing the progress of the story in a step by step fashion. I can see the truck flying in the air, the vegetables popping out, the truck toppling and the duck being thrown out of the truck and getting stuck all in different frames. The book is small in size and I love to carry it from one room to another.

Sorcha O'Dowd says

Read aloud for story time in the children's department at work.

Tanya says

Liked this story, not as much as another book by Jez, Super Duck, although it is growing on me.

Familiar characters, Sheep, Goat, Frog and Duck, were welcomed with enthusiasm by my son. Nice illustrations, and on re-reading a tempo and rhythm is becoming evident that makes it an enjoyable read.

Suzanne says

Just read this with my two year old. He loved the story about the duck that got stuck in his truck, and how his friends helped him get out of it. The detailed illustrations held his attention and he devoured every page. Nice quick rhyming story for two years and up, showing the value of giving a helping hand. Nice.

Janet says

Kids loved it (especially the angry quack), but I couldn't help but think the duck was a bit of a jerk for taking off and leaving the friends in the mud after they helped him. But I like to assume he didn't realize it!

Den says

not one of my favourite books but children seem to love it. My son loved the big red truck

Sue Winson says

I wasn't too sure about this book when I first read it. There were too many undesirable characters in the book: the sheep was rude and unhelpful, the duck was ungrateful and obnoxious. But 23-month old Little-AJ loves it and requested this to be read and re-read too many times. I think I can finally understand the addictiveness of this book and discover its charm after the numerous reading sessions with little-AJ.

A very simple storyline: the duck's truck was stuck in the muck. A frog, a sheep and a goat came to help.

This book uses really simple texts ("this is the duck driving home in a truck. This is the track..."). Toddlers follow the texts and storyline easily, with clear pictures illustrating each of those lines. The duck's behavior is not an exemplary kind, and neither is the very rude sheep. But the frog is kind, and the goat is smart and helpful. So that makes great comparison and gives us a chance to talk about different characters and personalities of people.

(Spoiler ahead) The ending either makes you frown or laugh. The truck was finally back in its track, and the duck drove off happily, leaving the 3 helpers (sheep, goat and frog) stuck in the muck! I frowned the first time, but nowadays I just laughed with little-AJ, and ended with a "what a horrible duck" remark. Little-AJ giggled louder after hearing this.

I love this book (not a love at first sight, but this book has become an addiction).

Blog review here: <https://storypleasemummy.wordpress.co...>

KT Hugge says

Amazing rhyming book for toddlers. True. The duck is kind of rude, nevertheless, it is a really funny story about helping out fellow creatures (or not). Every line in the book has an explaining illustration to it so it is easy to understand. 18+ months

Mara says

Some questionable morals in this one...the duck is kind of a jerk.
