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This engaging picture book prompts young children to face their fear of monsters and take charge of the situation! The reader is prompted to tickle various parts of a monster, deconstructing the creature and repurposing his parts into a far less threatening scene. His horns become the moon, his legs and arms become trees, his nose becomes a car. . . . Slowly but surely, the monster's shapes build a peaceful nighttime landscape. Manceau's bold, geometric illustrations create a deceptively simple visual narrative that encourages readers to see the parts as well as the whole.

Reminiscent of Ed Emberley's *Go Away, Big Green Monster!*, this book empowers the child to be brave and clever in the face of adversity.

Tickle Monster Details

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Erin says

Very much like Go Away, Big Green Monster. A child warns the Tickle Monster that it will be tickled bit by bit and each body part turned into something else not scary at all.

Great for preschool or toddler storytimes.

April Cote says

I work with kids for a living and have a 4 year old nephew who I take on frequent trips to the book store, so I still get to read any wonderful children's books. This was a fun one, and my nephew giggled non-stop when I read it to him over and over again. My nephew loved it and I enjoyed reading it to him. A great story to read to your little one if they are starting to believe in the monster under the bed. This colorful story will giggle their fright away for sure.

Amy Adams says

This book is short and sweet. It's a great shared reading experience because you can point out and tickle different body parts on you, the kid, the monster, or a stuffed animal. I'm a sucker for a book with black background pages with big, bold, colorful illustrations. I wish there would have been maybe a rhyme or better rhythm to the book to get the kids a little more engaged, but overall, the storytime crowd (0-4 y.o.) responded well to it.

Jesse says

Fans of Hervé Tullet will enjoy this fun, interactive book! Rather than being afraid of the Tickle Monster, kids are encouraged to "tickle" various parts of him which morph into the surroundings, i.e. his horns combine to become a crescent moon. By dismantling the Tickle Monster, kids dismantle the fear of him. Plus, it's fun to "tickle" the part and then see what it becomes on the next page. :)

Sandy Brehl says

I love everything about this "tickle book": Vibrant color contrast on black background, empowerment of kids to control things they fear, emphasis on creativity/construction, use of if/then language patterns, kid-friendly simple text in a hands-friendly trim size, predictable patterns that allow kids to name and learn to read body parts, and a reassuringly "safe" tone at bedtime despite the imposing cover image.

Compare to my thoughts on this other picture book with the same title:
<https://www.goodreads.com/review/show...>

Elizabeth Moreau Nicolai says

Fantastic book for storytime. It is also just BEGGING to be made into a flannel board. I loved how the parents tickled their children's hands, feet, etc as we read. The bright colors against a black back drop, simple clear illustrations, and lack of clutter made it fantastic for storytime in large groups and for babies.

Amanda says

Reminds me of *Go Away, Big Green Monster!*. Will try it in a children's program and see how it flies.

Lizzie says

Take tickle monster apart one body part at a time. Lots of fun and would make a great flannel board like *Go Away, Big Green Monster!*

Samantha says

Reads similarly to *Go Away Big Green Monster* by Emberley. The Tickle Monster is reduced to familiar sights and scenes when one by one his featured are tickled away.

Good read aloud for toddlers-PreK.

Julia McKnight says

This book worked really well in a monster themed family storytime I did recently. There were quite a few babies in the room and toddlers. It's a simple book in the vein of *Go Away Big Green Monster* but with some more body parts and physical literacy elements. Fun!

Jessica says

Toddlers and preschoolers alike enjoy acting out each page.

Morgan says

This fun book takes a scary topic/monster and turns it into something funny and full of love as each part of the monster turns into something less scary. This book is a good way to show kids that its ok to be scared but sometimes the things that scare you really aren't so scary. With fun illustrations, Manceau creates a book that all children will love and helps provide them with a way to tackle their fears.

Barbara says

This is the perfect book to tickle!!! Edouard Manceau has created a way to get rid of a monster by tickling him piece by piece. As you tickle the horns they become the moon in the sky. Tickle his arms and feet and they become trees. Keep tickling until that big, bad tickle monster is gone and all you have left is a peaceful nighttime scene. This would be lots of fun to use to inspire a paper craft project. For ages 3 - 8.

Hillary says

Great for Family Storytime at Halloween!

Mike says

We chose this book for my 2 (almost 3) year old granddaughter to talk about and identify body parts rather than conquer her fears of monsters. We laughed and giggled each time we read it, tickling the body part in the book and on each other. After 3 times in row, she was "reading" the book to me. This was the most engaged she has been in reading a book yet.
