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A messy room springs to life in this award-winning story from New York Times-bestselling author Mark Teague

Wendell Flutz's room isn't a mess. It's a total pigsty. But Wendell's mother can't get him to clean it up. Wendell doesn't think the mess is so awful. In fact, he doesn't even mind it when one day he discovers a real pig sitting on his bed!

Pigsty Details

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Lee Ann says

Fun and a little absurd, with some lovely art. 4/5 stars.

Joanne Roberts says

What starts out as a thinly veiled morality tale or a straightforward play on words ends as a kid-pleasing tale (no pun intended) full of ridiculous details and silliness. Mark Teague's classic illustration style does not disappoint. His characters are caricatures and his scenes are filled with exaggerated comedy. Great for silly kids, messy kids, and those teased about their own pigsties

Holly Thompson-Small says

I read this book to my kindergarteners and they loved it. The pigs are great characters and the message is good when teaching how to clean up and why it is important. Great to read when you are setting practices in the classroom or needing to remind students of cleaning up expectations.

Karen says

I enjoyed the creative approach of teaching children about being tidy.

Summer says

Teaching kids the consequences of not cleaning their room. Clever!

Beloved Girl says

Wendell's room became pigsty. The more he messed up, the more pigs came. Finally this boy started to clean his room. And as the proverb, many hooves make things light, pig friends help him clean up. They swept, scoured, and the room was no more pigsty. Then pigs go home. But sometimes like playing monopoly his room became crazy. I also had this experience, except that real pigs appeared in my room. My dad named my room pigsty. I didn't clean a while. But i lost something, and I couldnt live in chaos. I began to clean it.

This illustration is friendly and makes me feel like being myself at home. I like the description of pigs in this book. Each page shows pigs' various posture, which is funny and friendly.

XIS Grade 3 says

I enjoyed the animals of the story. I liked the humor. (May)
I liked that the pigs became Wendell's friends. (Glenn -Hugo)
I liked how messy his room looked. (Isabelle)
I liked that this story had many interesting words. (Nunu)

Nicholas Linsk says

This book is about a young boy who has a very dirty room. His mother tries to make him clean it, but the young boy is lazy and does not want to clean it. Then all of a sudden pigs start appearing and help make it messier until finally the boy decides enough is enough and decides to clean his room. The pigs help clean his room and then leave because they claim it is to clean for them. The story was funny and entertaining as well. The author did a great job on the illustrations. He paid very close attention to the tiny details. Overall, I really enjoyed reading the book.

Luis Dovasquez says

Ahhh, está sencilla, yo no armaría tanto drama por unos cerdos tan limpios y tan cool como estos de la historia, rabia si me daría que estuviesen mal oliente, sucios y a parte sean escandalosos. No hay mucho que reflexionar al menos que no te gusten los cerdos.

Kristen Dutkiewicz says

One little boy's room is such a "pigsty" that pigs feel at home living there with him!
Love the illustrations.

Jennifer says

What kid has never had a problem picking up, cleaning up his/her room? How about when pigs move in? How comfortable will you be then? Great story and a good reminder not to have such a messy room. The kids I read to got the message.

Kimberly says

Ha.

I think even as a kid, this would not have convinced me to clean my room.

Paige Bjerkaas says

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I chose this book because this book was read to me while I was growing up. I have always loved this book. I have always been a messy person, so I relate to the main character of the book. I really like the illustrations too.

Karen says

If you create a pigsty the pigs will come! (And it isn't any fun in the end)

Abby Gallier says

I would recommend this book for ages 5-9. It is a good story to teach the importance of responsibility, and an especially good read aloud if your child refuses to clean their room. When a boy named Wendell neglects to keep his room clean, his mother warns him that it may turn into a pigsty, and to Wendell's surprise, he finds a pig living in his room! Once three more pigs show up, he decides he can't live this way anymore, and cleans his room until it is spotless.
