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Lily's mum finally agrees to buy her a new pet - but it's not a doggy, it's a kitten. When things start to go wrong around the house, Lily is quick to blame her new furry friend, but doesn't notice the much bigger and more dangerous feline that has taken up residence - a huge tiger!

Naughty Kitty Details

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From Reader Review Naughty Kitty for online ebook

Meghan Hunt says

This book is really cute. I think it would be fun to use in a preschool storytime about pets or silly stories.

Peggy says

Love it! By the author of Silly Dog comes another winner! A little girl wants a dog but gets a kitty, around the same time a tiger escapes from the zoo. She thinks the kitty is naughty, but really the tiger is lurking around and wreaking havoc. I can't wait to use it in storytime and hear all the little ones yell out, "No! It's the tiger! I see him!"

Mehsi says

Geen zin om de Nederlandse versie aan Goodreads toe te voegen, dus hierbij. Een leuk boek over een moeder die, in plaats van een hond, haar dochtertje een kat geeft (wat echt, die laat niet overal haren achter? *lacht*). Het meisje is eerst niet heel blij, maar trekt dan wel bij. Ik vond het hilarisch om die tijger gewoon in huis te zien, en te zien wat hij allemaal deed. Arme kat, dat wel, want die kreeg alle schuld. Ik was nieuwsgierig waar de tijger nou vandaan komt, maar dat vinden we uit op de pagina's die voor en achter op de cover zitten (voor het verhaal). Hartstikke leuk om te lezen, en ik zou dit boek dus ook aanraden.

Rebecca Gomez says

Very charming and silly.

Jenna says

Adorable illustrations and a cute read. Unfortunately, my Family Storytime session was filled with babies, so it was mostly just the parents enjoying the book. Some of the older toddlers did shout out whenever you could see the tiger's face peeping out of the bushes.

Lance says

"What do you think this place is, a zoo?"

This book was sweet and a bit of fun, but not particularly heart-warming considering it's a tale about a little girl and her new kitten. I found Lily quite insensitive towards her new kitten, who doesn't even get named

throughout the entire story, and more concerned with what the cat could do for her rather than enjoying the adventures of an innocent baby animal. She seemed a bit of a negative American-kid stereotype, you know, the I-want-everything-now kind of child. The secret tiger was quite amusing, but I would not have expected such wanton destruction from such a secretive and elegant animal as a tiger? But perhaps I have just been spoiled with *The Tiger Who Came For Tea*. Next time Lily, more compassion for your kitten, and who knows, maybe it will even stick up for you to the big bad tiger after all!

I did enjoy the illustrations. The kitten was suitably cute and helpless, and the twist ending in which Lily's garden was infested with all sorts of exotic animals including my faves the flamingoes was a fun ending to the story. However, I've given better picture books 3-stars, so. Harsh but Fair.

Bonnie Ferrante says

On the inside cover of this book, we see as double-page spread of ads, mail, and newspaper clippings that inform us of a local pet shop and a striped wild animal's escape from the zoo. On the title page, is a cat carrier with the tag reading "sold".

The story begins with little Lily bringing home her tiny gray kitten from the pet store. She plays with it and feeds it deciding "he wasn't any trouble at all." When she leaves the room, an escaped tiger enters and eats eight fish sticks, all the cookies, plums, pickles, Mom's pink party cake, Dad's pork chop, the orange pop, 2 teaspoons, and a dirty sponge". Lily's scolds the kitten, assuming he has done all the damage. All day the tiger causes chaos and the kitten is blamed. When the mean dog next door threatens Lily and her kitten, the tiger inadvertently scares it away. Again Lily attributes this behavior to her little gray kitten. The last picture is a double page spread of all the animals that have escaped from the zoo.

On the inside back cover are two news articles. One tells us that an elderly lady with thick glasses is overjoyed by the return of her long lost cat, who after thirty years has grown quite large. The other article explains the escape of all the animals in the zoo.

This is a clever, fun book for children. The humorous pictures accompanied by the plot of mistaken identity are sure to draw laughs. Any child who's been blamed for something he didn't do will identify with the poor little kitten. The reader is sure to feel empathy for the blameless kitten.

Clever use of the words "catastrophe", "revolting", and "cozy snuggle" will expand the child's vocabulary. Charming and hilarious, I heartily recommend this amusing book.

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Sussu Leclerc says

Funny with an amazing twist.

Jennifer says

Fun story about a little girl who wants a pet dog, but her mom says they're too much trouble and gets her a

cat instead. However, a hole in the wall at the zoo has allowed a tiger to escape and when the girl mistakes the tiger for her kitty, hilarity ensues. Fun (although a bit long for a group) read-aloud book for the preschool crowd.

Cosette says

Y'all didn't see my listener's face light up like fireworks when she say that, yes, there is a book 2 in this series - now she can't wait to read the NEXT book ... um... is there one?? Please?

Baby Adam says

kitty adam was here

The kitty was very cute and innocent. A solid read for little ones like myself.

how to order all the boxes and prawns

Tasha says

A follow up to Silly Doggy!, this book also features Lily and now a very large cat. From the end pages, readers will know that there is an animal loose from the zoo. Lily though is far too taken up with bringing her new kitten home. Her mother was sure that Kitty wouldn't be any trouble at all. At first that was true, but when Lily left the kitten alone in the kitchen for just a moment, she returned to find it completely trashed. What Lily doesn't know but the readers could see clearly was that the tiger that had escaped from the zoo was the one who made the mess. The same thing happened when Lily left Kitty alone in the living room. There is even a rug that is ruined with an accident of large proportions. Happily, Lily remains completely oblivious to the tiger and in the end Kitty gets the credit rather than the blame for what the tiger has done.

Stower's humor is zingy and broad here. He doesn't hold back on the visual jokes or on Lily's reactions to the actually sedate little cat. Children will immediately get the humor of mistaken identity and will pay close attention to spot the tiger on the pages where Lily can't seem to see him. The ending is completely satisfying, particularly because Lily continues to be oblivious to what is actually happening around her and readers will be surprised by a full view of the truth as well.

The art tells much of the story here with the narrative almost entirely from Lily's perspective. The tiger can be spotted right before each disaster and right afterwards too. The illustrations are energetic and filled with action and the entire book reads like a cartoon episode.

Funny and a great read aloud, this book is sure to keep attention focused and kids giggling. Appropriate for ages 3-5.

Maria Shuffit says

Pretty much anything with a cat is a win in my book. I really enjoyed this charming storybook about a little girl who gets a pet cat who, it turns out, is VERY NAUGHTY. I loved the bewildered expressions on the cat's face. This is another storybook that employs words to tell one part of the story, while the illustrations tell the rest - it would be a great read-aloud for a children's story time where kids can look at the pictures to see the humorous story about what is actually happening while Lily thinks her new pet is up to no good.

Kristen Dutkiewicz says

A girl's new kitten is more trouble than she thought it would be... until we learn it's a MUCH bigger cat causing the problems!

Sunah Chung says

Lily has a cat because Mom thinks a dog is too messy. The small Kitty looks great and cooly, but whenever Lily leaves the cat alone, the home ends up being a mess. Lily blames the cat for the mess. However, it turns out that the tiger that escaped the zoo is the one that causes all the chaos.

It was fun to read this picture book. The story had connections to some of my childhood experience. I thought about moments where I was wrongly accused. Similar to the cat in this story, young readers would reflect on their experiences of being blamed by parents, siblings, and peers for something they did not do. In some cases, readers might be the ones accusing others for the accidents they were not involved in. Lily was too young to figure out who caused the mess. On the other hand, her mother notices what happens by the footprints and the degree of each catastrophe. In addition to the hilarious story, I like the illustrations and organization of the story. The story starts from the front endpaper to the back endpaper. The flyers for the lost tiger gave a hint on the catastrophe to come. On the back endpaper, the story of the tiger named Fluffbun gave readers new information on the tiger's past. The tiger's innocent gaze over Lily and the kitty on the book cover would represent the story pretty well. The title "Naught kitty" also warns of the tiger's lousy behavior because tigers are the biggest members of the feline family. It would be fun to read this picture book with children to discuss responsibility and fair judgment on behaviors.
