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# **Night Animals**





# **Synopsis**

Somethingââ ¬â,,¢s out there in the dark!First Possum hears it. Then Skunk. Then Wolf comes running.â⠬œWhat could it possibly be?â⠬• asks Bat.â⠬œNight Animals!â⠬• the animals declare.â⠬œBut you are night animals,â⠬• Bat informs this not-so-smart crew.Children will love the oh-so-funny animals in this twist on a cozy bedtime book.

## **Book Information**

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Humor

Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

### **Customer Reviews**

PreS-Kâ⠬⠕A great cover designâ⠬⠕a scared-looking opossum, stark black background, and the title in shiny silver letteringâ⠬⠕will grab kids' attention. Endpapers in black, relieved only by three pairs of wide open eyes, will build suspense. As the story begins, Possum is hiding in the woods when a friendly skunk comes along. Possum spreads a fear of "night animals" to the skunk, then a wolf, and a bear. It takes a calm bat to explain to them that they are night animals. The illustrations include a lot of visual humor, as in Possum "playing possum" by acting dead and Skunk spraying "perfume" each time they get scared. The inside of the cover includes scientific facts about the animals, which is a nice feature that unfortunately will present processing challenges for many libraries. VERDICT A good title to share with children who may be afraid of the dark to help them see the lighter side of fear.â⠬⠕Lucinda Snyder Whitehurst, St. Christopher's School,

RAVE REVIEWS FOR NIGHT ANIMALS\* ââ ¬Å"Truly remarkable illustrations clearly convey the bookââ ¬â,,¢s raucous activity and feature beautifully rendered animals standing in sharp contrast to pitch black backgrounds Açâ ¬Â|This eye-catching, slapstick foray into the worrisome night will funny, with hilarious close-ups and slapstick animal posturesââ ¬Â|A giggle-inducing new gem for the night-fears bookshelf. Aç⠬• Aç⠬⠜ Kirkus Reviews, starred review Aç⠬œA good title to share with children who may be afraid of the dark to help them see the lighter side of fear.  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg\hat{A}\bullet$ 碉 ¬â œ School Library Journal Á Á Á¢â ¬Å"In MarinoÁ¢â ¬â"¢s sweet-tempered nocturnal comedy, large, scary animals flee from the threat of still larger and scarier animals \$\tilde{A}\phi \tilde{a} \quad \tilde{A} \right| Bonus visual subplots involves Skunkââ ¬â,,¢s stench and Possumââ ¬â,,¢s tendency to... play possum. The spreads are polished, the story moves fast, and the laughs keep coming. ¢â ¬Â• â⠬⠜ Publishers WeeklyPRAISE FOR FOLLOWING PAPA'S SONG:"...exuberant and gorgeous..." â⠬⠕Publishers Weekly, starred review"...a heartwarming reminder of how children learn to trust and listen for papas  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{a},\phi$  songs in our lives."  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{a}$  •School Library Journal, starred review"This beautifully executed book about the bond between father and child that can be as deep as the darkest sea and powerful enough to help navigate in times of trouble will resonate with readers both young and old." à ¢â ¬â •Kirkus, starred review"A gorgeous, comforting book that provides a lovely counterpoint to Marinoââ ¬â,,¢s Meet Me at the Moon (2012)." â⠬⠕Booklistà Â PRAISE FOR MEET ME AT THE MOON:"Marino's breathtaking panoramas make an already powerful story sing." Aca -a •Publishers Weekly, starred review The textured mixed-media art paired with the flowing text elevates this title above most missing-mama fare ... Radiating warmth and comfort, this distinguished title strikes home." â⠬⠕Kirkus, starred review"Heartfelt and sincere, yet never cloying, this will work well one on one or in story hours." â⠬⠕Booklistà Â PRAISE FORÃ Â TOO TALL HOUSES:"The animals are full of heartfelt emotions, from anger and frustration to happy contentment...This story about friendship and togetherness contains a great lesson without being didactic or moralizing and should be welcome in most collections." â⠬⠕School Library Journal, starred review"The well-turned, dialogue-rich narrative complements the sunny visuals, making this an excellent choice for one-on-one or group read-alouds...Another winner for rising star Marino." à ¢â ¬â •Kirkus, starred reviewâ⠬œÃ¢â ¬Â|a story of friendship that youngsters can understand and relate to.â⠬• ¢â ¬â •Library Media Connection

This book is adorable. I bought it for my 6 year old, who just started 1st grade, and it is "beginner enough" for him to read. The pictures are really fun! There is not a lot of heavy reading and most pages only have about a sentence or so worth of words. Basically all of the animals that are are scared of night animals coming out, not realizing that they are night animals. It's a cute and simple story. Love this book and had my son take it to school today for his silent reading time.

This book is adorable. We checked it out from the library when they placed it on the new release shelf and my kids were in love. I ordered it a few days later so they could add it to their personal bookshelf. It isn't a long read, but from the stinky skunk, to the opossum playing dead half the story and the panicking animals thinking other "night animals" are after them, it's a fun quick read.

I would give it even more stars based solely on the awesome opossum. I checked this picture book out of the library, laughed out loud at the illustrations, and then purchased it for my own collection. This is such a fun book, especially if you have a child (or adult) who is afraid of the dark.

Our family loves this book--so cute and funny too! Great read for our toddler who loves animals.

great pics. still in stash for future gift.

We originally checked this book out from the library, but my daughter (now 3) loved it so much, we had to buy it. It's probably her favorite book. Any time it's dark she tells us, "Shhhh! Night animals!!" Which has quickly become a silly, fun joke around our house - one that makes the dark a little less scary.

Cute book.

This book is amazing! The story line is so great for the preschool level - and the pictures are hilarious! Not only did my students thoroughly enjoy it, but my paraprofessional and I were cracking up. Definitely a MUST HAVE.

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