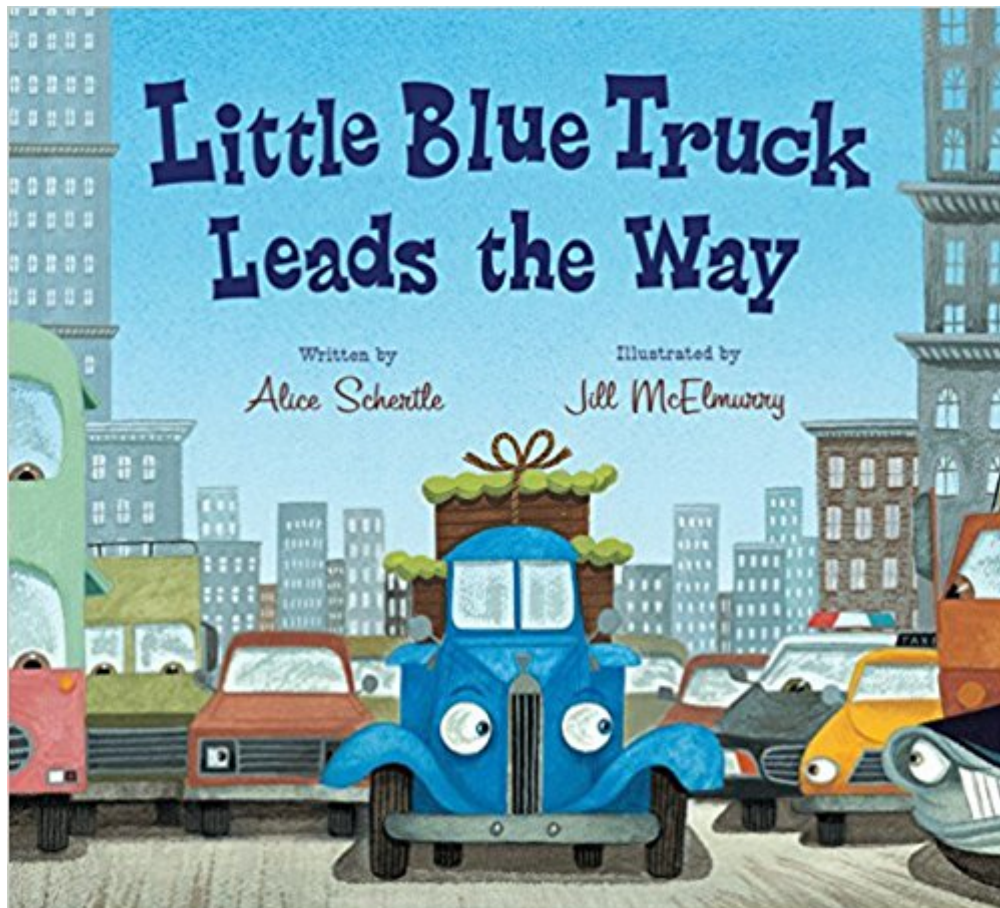




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Little Blue Truck Leads The Way Board Book



Synopsis

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PreSchool-Grade 1 • Little Blue Truck rides in rhyme again, this time carrying crates of lettuce to a metropolitan market. His bug-eyed headlights show appreciation for the city views, as

well as discomfort when the faster-paced vehicles harass him. From a double-decker bus to the mayor's limousine, traffic irritably jams into a crunch intensified by the limo engine's demise. The portly, gray-haired mayor uses Little Blue as a podium, instructing citizens to follow the truck's advice to travel "one at a time." The resulting courtesy creates a smooth flow, even when a marching band joins the line. Everyone cheers for the little truck, who leads the way with the mayor as his passenger. McElmurry's gouache scenes are spot-on. Simple compositions in calming indigo and cream in the country starkly contrast with the jam-packed city scenes where a crush of buildings barely shows the sky. The urbanites are a rich mix of ethnicity and purpose: coffee drinkers, construction workers, dog walkers, briefcase carriers, they all pound the pavement. The tale is a fine illustration for classes studying urban and rural settings, and the simple plot is a treat for even very young listeners. —Gay Lynn Van Vleck, Henrico County Library, Glen Allen, VA

END --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This is the second "Little Blue Truck" book by the same two author and illustrator. My 18 month old grandson absolutely loves the first "The Little Blue Truck" though he seems to like the pushy dump truck best of all. This is another good book in the series. It is a little over long for him to sit through - he usually gives up at about the time the mayor starts his speech. Can't say I blame him - politicians can put me to sleep, too. I think when he is a bit older he will want to hear the whole story but in the meantime, when he arrives at my house in the morning, these are the two books he grabs first to have me read to him. The story is very cute (and Little Blue saves the day "Beep, beep, beep") and the illustrations are so much fun - especially the mean looking eyes on all of the other vehicles. I never realized how much expression could be given to the front grill of a vehicle. Reading time is so special - he isn't a cuddly child - more of a rambunctious one but he does like to sit on my lap on the rocking chair and have me read him stories pretty much all day long. Unless it is diaper change or nap time, I always make sure to read to him when he wants it. Reading to and then later having your child read to you or to themselves is a fantastic gift. I love this book for young children and look forward to seeing another book (hopefully) in the near future.

It was always going to be very tough to write a better book than the first Little Blue Truck book. This one certainly takes a little while to warm up to, but there's no doubt you will like it after a while. It references different types of cars doing different actions in the city traffic (a little more advanced than just the animal sounds of the first book) and has another moral undertone about doing things "one at a time - is the way to go" - frankly I refer to it when my son tries to rush around or tries to eat

too much too quickly. The message actually works quite well for him aged 23 months. I have given it three stars because I know it will take you a while to warm up to it.

It's my son's favorite book. We read it every night (since I got it for him) before bedtime. I gave it 4 stars instead of 5 because I agree with one of the reviews that the book has so much negativity specially the illustrations. My son noticed that and kept saying the word "angry" while flipping pages until he reached the last 2 pages and then said "happy". The anger is strong in the illustration; I wished it had less angry vehicles. The story itself is not bad but the illustration makes it more negative.

I LOVE the Little Blue Truck books. My 2.75 year old granddaughter loves them as well. She helps me "read" by saying "beep" when Blue speaks (I touch her chest and she then knows to "beep"). The stories teach lessons. The artwork is fun and bright. We now have all three books and I even bought the sticker book which she will get at her 3rd birthday. I hope the author and artist continue with more books. LOVE them!!!

I would not waste your money on this book. Part of why it seems so disappointing is that the first one was so good and seemed multi-faceted (as much as a children's book could be). In this version, the rhymes seem forced, the story is weak, and there is no additional layer of education as the first has with the animals and the sounds they make. I got this book for my husband for Christmas, as he loved reading the first to our son; someone else gave our son a second copy of the original. We were so annoyed with this book that we resorted ourselves to double reading of the original (now located in two locations), which gives you some hint as to the level of tolerance we feel for this book.

We received the original Little Blue Truck book as a baby shower gift before our son was born. There were days where we read the original to our son at least five times, so when I came across this, I ordered it just to add something new to the mix. My son loves trucks, buses, airplanes, fire engines, motorcycles, and the like, so this story is really perfect for him. The story itself has a pretty good message, all these vehicles on the road that are rude and inconsiderate cause a traffic jam, but Little Blue helps them understand that everyone will get along just fine if everyone slows down and waits their turn. That the book doesn't end with "Beep Beep Beep" seems like a missed opportunity, but my son makes sure to say it every time we read it anyway. My son's favorite book is a toss up between this and the original Little Blue Truck. Both are very fun, and at this point he's

memorized many of the words to each.

Do you like reading the same book 10,000 times?? What parent doesn't? My kids are kind of obsessed with this series, and I'm pretty sure I could recite the whole thing by heart in my sleep. That being said, there's a reason why they like it. It's cute, it's (relatively) short, and it has a cute cadence to it that makes it endearing. "Everyone takes turns" is the takeaway here, and it's worth owning. If you're buying books for a new baby to start a collection I'd start with the LBT books.

I bought this book for my Grandsons, they love to be read to and their parents read stories to them every night before bed and that's something they both have grown to love. So I am always adding to their Library and so glad their parents taught them the love of books.

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