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# One Hundred Shoes: A Math Reader (Step-Into-Reading, Step 2)



## Synopsis

Centipede has one hundred feet. One hundred feet means one hundred shoes. How in the world does Centipede choose shoes? This Math Reader clearly demonstrates the concepts of pairs and multiple sets, all in simple, rollicking, rhythmic text and with bright, graphic illustrations.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 1

## Customer Reviews

First of all, those in the know will have to get past the fact that despite the meaning of its name, a centipede tends NOT to have 100 feet. Those who can are certain to enjoy this simple story about shoes, feet and multiples of 100. Fortunately, the story is short, fast-paced and has logical rhymes. Unfortunately, the "math" part is really only about three sentences long and includes only: two times fifty, five times twenty and ten times ten. Even so, with arithmetic seeming to sometimes take a back seat to reading and writing, this is an easy, fun way to expose your younger reader to the number 100 and some of its factors. Reading level is K through Second grade. This would be a great book to read during 100th Day of School celebrations. Also good: Mary Clare Loves to Share.

Yesterday, my four-year-old son spotted his first millipede. (My husband called it a centipede -- Thank goodness for Google!) Anyway, the multi-footed creature soon became a math topic. And

that math topic led to me finding this book. Although my little boy can read only a few words on his own, we have started incorporating "easy readers" into his story times. They tend to be shorter, so instead of reading three books, we can easily read five books in the same amount of time. They also tend to feature repetition and showcase certain words so that kids can learn to read on their own. They can also be really boring for the adult reader. Two things save One Hundred Shoes from falling into that final category: Charles Ghigna's wit and Bob Staake's artwork. One Hundred Shoes is a clever and rather sweet book in poem. Charles Ghigna creates such wonderful "word pictures" that the poem could stand alone without illustration. He also, however, creates such marvelous phrases that a talented illustrator can walk right in (pun intended), and Bob Staake does. Bob Staake takes the witty phrases and amplifies them to the point of the hilarious with his brilliant and silly illustrations. Every page vibrates with activity and humor, but, as a Chucks girl, I have to say that my favorite two-page spread has the sneakers on it.

One Hundred Shoes (Step-Into-Reading, Step 2) One Hundred Shoes (a.k.a. the centipede book, in our home) is GREAT. I bought it as a "math" reader for my kids, ages 5, 6 and 9. They all enjoy it but my 5yr. old son esp. LOVES it. We began reading it just before K5 began and he memorized it w/in two days. Although it's currently beyond his reading level, it has served as a great incentive; he is learning/beginning to actually read the book he loves so much. It does Not touch on "math" aspects as much as expected however my kids love the rhyming and the fantasy of a centipede wearing shoes and wearing different types for different occasions has offered scope to broaden their imagination! They immediately looked up centipedes on the internet to "see" what a real centipede looks like, etc. We read it often as it maintains its appeal :-)

Five Silly Fishermen (Step-Into-Reading, Step 2)  
A Dollar For Penny (Step-Into-Reading, Step 2)

I bought this book for my 5 year old and he absolutely loves it. It's one of the few he has actually read over and over again. Some of the early reader books tend to bore him, but he (and I!) find this one very entertaining.

I bought this book for my grandson who is in K and was having problems counting from 1 to 50. He is a visual learner and this book, along with the activities related to this book, made it much easier for him to learn.

My six year old son loves this book. It has some good new words to challenge him and lots of ones

he knows. The story is cute and had him cracking up. Some readers feel tedious even if they're short, some are nice but go on and on forever. This one is just the right length, and entertaining for us both.

I used this book with my Kindergarten students for the 100th day of school. I found an activity to go along with it online. They loved it and it is so cute and funny. Very good for this level. Thanks!

Is your child a "what if" person? My granddaughter loves the idea of putting shoes on a centipede. This book covers sets, and a story of where that centipede might purchase and wear those shoes. Adorable illustrations too!

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