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Tubby The Tuba (Book & CD)





Synopsis

For sixty years audiences have been charmed by the adventures of a tuba named Tubby. All day long, Tubby plays oompah, oompah with his orchestra, but what he really wants is to "dance with the pretty little tune." A resourceful bullfrog shows Tubby that everyone has the right to play his own melody. When the recording of Tubby the Tuba was first released, it met with instant success, and it went on to sell 13 million copies. Now these classic characters have been reimagined by Henry Cole in this stunning picture book, which comes complete with a CD of the author's performance with full orchestration. This is a musical and visual treat for a whole new generation to enjoy the world's most famous tuba.

Book Information

Hardcover: 32 pages Publisher: Dutton Books for Young Readers; Reissue edition (October 19, 2006) Language: English ISBN-10: 0525477179 ISBN-13: 978-0525477174 Product Dimensions: 9.3 x 0.4 x 11.2 inches Shipping Weight: 14.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (57 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #75,186 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #71 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Frogs & Toads #251 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Social Skills #258 in Books > Children's Books > Arts, Music & Photography > Performing Arts Age Range: 4 - 8 years Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

I bought "Tubby the Tuba" for my 3-year-old son last month, and it has been an unexpected smash hit. He has asked to hear it several times a day every day since we got it. (He is also a fan of "Carnival of Animals" and "Peter and the Wolf," but "Tubby" has elicited particular fervor.) He has memorized his favorite passages, learned to recognize the instruments by sound and sight, and is now asking to see the orchestra. An unexpected surprise!

When I was a little girl in the 1940's I loved my book and "78" recording of Tubby the Tuba. I

honestly think I learned the sounds of the instruments of the orchestra at an early age because of this delightful recording. I was happy to learn that a book and recording are now available, and so ordered it for my three-year-old granddaughter. She loves the CD and the book and wants to hear them every time she visits. No doubt she, too, will learn the sounds of the violins, french horn, and tuba (of course) from this wonderful recording and sweet story!

I purchased this for my younger students and found that they not only listened but had relevant social questionsabout teasing and acceptance as well. The music is wonderful but the narration may be a little outdated. Still a fine story for children to hear.

I love that this book teaches kids about the different instruments and sections involved in an orchestra and the story is written around the fact that the poor tubas never get to play the melody! They always get the oom-pah-pah part. This can be a great introduction to how an orchestra plays together and how they all have their own special parts. Older kids will understand and could be great for a beginning band class - little ones may not comprehend this as easily but it is still an adorable book that will help them start to learn the names of the instruments and how an orchestra is put together. I was very impressed with my pre-k class that after reading this book as an introduction to the orchestra instruments they were able to remember all of the instrument names talked about in the book during our review. It is a very cute story and works best with the accompanying CD because you can listen to the music that the story is describing.

I remember this book from my brothers childhood. My grandson 3 1/2 year old grandson is into musical instruments and especially the tuba. The companion CD is wonderful for the times when he wants to read it himself.

I listened to this recording as a kid and loved it. The addition of the book, with its lively pictures, makes it easy to share with kids from 2 to 7 years of age. So far, thumbs up from my 6 and 3/4-year-old grandson, with his recommending it for his 3-year-old sister. I plan to listen to it with my 2- and 4-year old grandsons as well. It's fun --- and the added "lessons" are a plus; however, there is nothing heavy-handed about them. Bravo.

I am so glad I got this, more for me than for my kids. Classic Tubby the Tuba story on the CD. The book follows the CD, but the pictures are more updated than the old classic cartoon. Still a winner!

Very nice book and CD. I had the original LP when I was a kid and this is a remake - but with the author narrating and a good orchestra is very very close to that original first recording. Got it for the grandchildren to introduce yet another generation to orchestra music.

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