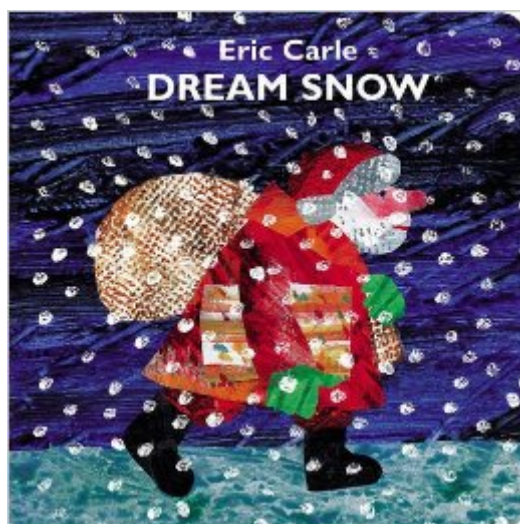


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# Dream Snow



## Synopsis

Eric Carle's classic Christmas book is now available as a board book! It's December 24th, and the old farmer settles down for a winter's nap, wondering how Christmas can come when there is no snow! In his dream he imagines a snowstorm covering him and his animals named One, Two, Three, Four and Five in a snowy blanket. But when the farmer awakens, he finds that it has really snowed outside, and now he remembers something! Putting on his red suit, he goes outside and places gifts under the tree for his animals, bringing holiday cheer to all. Clever lift-the-flaps reveal the animals hidden under the snow in the farmer's dream, making this board book edition a treat for all ages.

Praise for Dream Snow: "Few in number are the parents who have made it through their toddler's years on just one copy of Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. Dream Snow has similar ingredients: a simple story, lively collage-like illustrations and a fun gimmick for little hands . . ."

"Time" This is a simple, well-told story about a simple farmer. . . . Viewers. . . will want to get their hands on it."

"The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books" Carle fans and toddlers learning the basics will . . . enjoy the gentle text and creative design features."

"Booklist" The pictures are in Carle's trademark richly colored and textured collages that capture the snowy magic of Christmas."

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## Book Information

Lexile Measure: AD300L (What's this?)

Board book: 22 pages

Publisher: Philomel Books; Ltf Brdbk edition (October 13, 2015)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0399173145

ISBN-13: 978-0399173141

Product Dimensions: 7 x 0.8 x 7 inches

Shipping Weight: 10.9 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.4 out of 5 stars See all reviews (130 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #70,868 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #123 in Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Where We Live > Farm Life #190 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Farm Animals #209 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Christmas

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

Eric Carle's new picture book *Dream Snow* introduces the farmer, who lives with his five farm animals, named One, Two, Three, Four, Five and his tree, simply named The Tree. It's almost Christmas and it hasn't snowed yet. So one evening, the farmer sits in his favorite chair, has a cup of peppermint tea and some bread with honey, dozes off and begins to dream of snow. When he awakens, he finds that it actually has snowed. So, he bundles up in hat, boots and gloves, grabs a big box, throws a sack over his shoulder and, looking very familiar, heads out to the barn. There he decorates The Tree and along with his farm animals, poised to push a button, wishes "Merry Christmas to All". What makes this simple little book so special, is Mr Carle's wonderfully inventive illustrations. He has painted his snow flakes and drifts on clear plastic, inserted before each page, which when lifted reveals the farmer or one of his animals on the page below. And as the farmer is wishing all a Merry Christmas, your youngsters can help by him by pushing the button, to hear a holiday song. This is a charming, gentle story the entire family will love and a sure classic in years to come.

Mr. Carle has created a wonderful series of children's books, first catching our children's attention with "the hungry caterpillar." His medium is collage with which he creates beautifully colored pictures bringing to life his simple stories. This is a wonderful addition. We meet a farmer who could pass for Santa Claus. It's near Christmas and there's no snow, an impending disaster. Luckily he has a magical dream in which first he then his animals are covered one by one by snow. As we lift the acetate sheet, uncovering the animals on each page and we meet one through five. Then the farmer awakes to find his dream come true and at last he can decorate for Christmas. He finishes with a flourish giving us all a song to play. A great read for parents and children alike (a good book to read together) with lively art.

Toy book--joy book, Carle hits a home-run again. Follow the farmer and his animals--named after numbers because he can count them on one hand, through a dream of snow falling on the barnyard. The reality of a snowfall intrudes on their lives and a hustle begins over something he has forgotten. Overlays complete the illusion of snow covering all it comes in contact with and our young audience uncovers each animal to ensure its well-being. A musical sound effect ending the story celebrates Christmas. Bright poster paint montage cut-outs fill the pages to create a warm and inviting texture to the story as it unfolds. The folk art is child-like yet filled with wonderful touches of details that overall create a satisfying balance. Children will come back to it again and again.

I just read this book to both of my preschool classes and it was a hit! They were so quiet when I read it to them. The beautiful song that ends the book was a delight to them. I originally bought this book for my niece for a Christmas present but I am going to keep it for the class!

From reading reviews I wasn't sure what to expect with this book. I ordered the Board book and have to say - I love it! It has lift up flaps through out the book. Cute story - doesn't really go anywhere much but my toddler still enjoyed it and it was a nice christmas theme. My son also liked counting off the animals with the farmer which he's not done with any other book till now. I did expect twinkling lights on the tree at the end which you don't get with the board book edition sadly.

I like it but I sure missed the button at the end that causes the tree to light up and a brief sound effect. The students really loved that part and, after years of use with classes, it no longer works so I ordered this copy as a replacement. (Battery change didn't help with old one either). I would buy this again if I can find the version with the special effects. As it is, I gave it as a Christmas gift since it is better for one person than for group sharing.

We just read this one again last night. Although we love all Eric Carle's book this one fell a little flat. As always the illustrations are wonderful but the story was only so-so. My daughter's favorite part about the story is the end when you press the button to hear a little melody.

My daughter has loved this book for awhile now...we got a used version a couple of years back and the button at the back finally crapped out after many fixes, so I went ahead and got a newer book. Its a simple book, but it seems to calm her down at night and she loves the little music at the end. We read this year round.

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