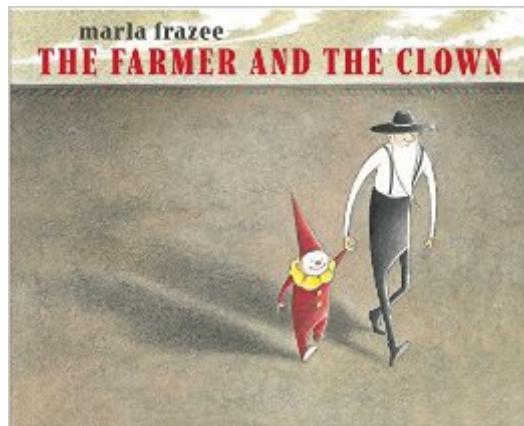


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# The Farmer And The Clown (Ala Notable Children's Books. Younger Readers (Awards))



## Synopsis

Whimsical and touching images tell the story of an unexpected friendship and the revelations it inspires in this moving, wordless picture book from two-time Caldecott Honor medalist Marla Frazee. A baby clown is separated from his family when he accidentally bounces off their circus train and lands in a lonely farmer's vast, empty field. The farmer reluctantly rescues the little clown, and over the course of one day together, the two of them make some surprising discoveries about themselves and about life! Sweet, funny, and moving, this wordless picture book from a master of the form and the creator of *Speaks* volumes and will delight story lovers of all ages.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

HIGHLY recommended, just a beautiful, sweet book. I just purchased it for my son, who is learning to read, upon the recommendation of a friend who is a bookseller. My son loves making up different stories for the illustrations, and I nearly cry at the end every time. Perfect for beginning readers and also for younger children.

Simple, beautiful and funny wordless story! At first, when I saw the title and the cover of the book I wondered what kind of obscure and weird story could this be as I did not see a relationship between

a farmer and clown! But as I ã œreadâ • the book I saw how they came together. Beautifully illustrated too. Esta es una historia preciosa y graciosa. Al principio, la ilustraciÃ n de la portada y el tÃ -tulo me hicieron pensar que serÃ - a una historia rara pues no veia ninguna relaciÃ n entre un granjero y un payaso. Pero al â œleerâ • el libro me di cuenta como ese granjero y el payaso terminan juntandose. Bellamente ilustrado.

One of the most eloquent wordless books I've seen in years tells a powerful story about empathy and belonging. Simple line drawings and few colors convey an absorbing tale that stands up to repeated readings.

The Farmer and the Clown has superb storytelling. The pacing is amazing. Her characters are fantastic, each with perfect facial expressions and body language. It's skillfully drawn. I love how animated the clouds are as they move along with the story from page turn to page turn. I also love the comic details of things like the puff-puff-puff of smoke from the train. Frazee's compositions give her story remarkable depth and drama.

My two year old son loves this book and loves to take turns with us telling the story. He stares at the illustrations to read expressions and absorbs the story in a way he doesn't with the books we read over and over. He memorizes those texts, but here we build the story together with each "reading." I also love sharing it with him.

My 2 year old Grandson, Will, & his Mother, Rachel, both love this book! He sees and describes more in the story each time he "reads" it and tells the story with more enthusiasm each time--even though there are no words on the page. The illustrations are beautifully detailed and full of contrast. This is a great book!

One of the most memorable "children's books" I've ever encountered. A sensitive, warm and very touching story of a loving encounter, illustrated so superbly in simple lines and subtle colors. I first read the book from the public library, but after reading and re-reading it several times in a row, I bought a copy to keep at my side at all times. What a lovely book!

Before the holidays the Wall Street Journal listed this and other books as gift ideas for children. I bought it for my three year old granddaughter and she loves it. The book that has no words and still

delivers a significant and loving message. The artwork is beautiful.

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