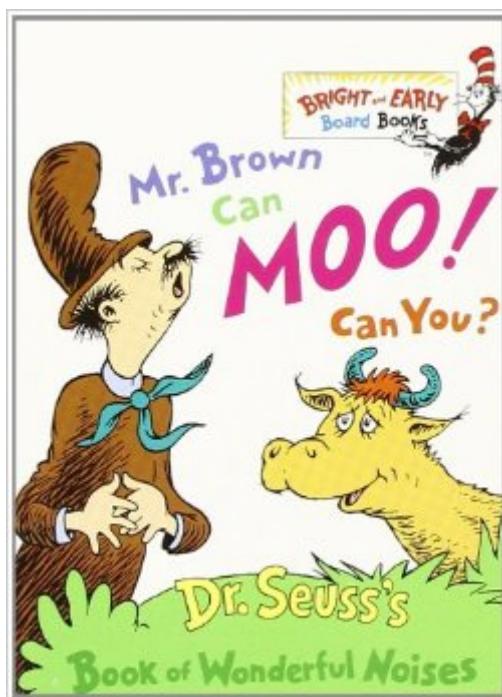


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# Mr. Brown Can Moo, Can You : Dr. Seuss's Book Of Wonderful Noises (Bright And Early Board Books)



## **Synopsis**

Kids will love this noise-filled Bright and Early Book classic from the one and only Dr. Seuss! Mr. Brown is a sound-making wonder! He can hoo hoo like an owl and buzz buzz like a bee. It is so much fun to make noises that you hear every day, like moo and tick-tock. But stranger sounds are fun to make, too . . . like the pip of a goldfish kiss and the grum grum of a hippo chewing gum. Encouraging imaginative play while learning to read, Mr. Brown Can Moo! Can You? will keep kids laughing (when they're not tick-tocking). Combining brief and funny stories, easy words, catchy rhythm, and lively illustrations, Bright and Early Books are an ideal way to introduce the joys of reading to children.

## **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: NP (What's this?)

Series: Bright & Early Board Books(TM)

Board book: 24 pages

Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers (November 26, 1996)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0679882820

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Product Dimensions: 4.2 x 0.5 x 5.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 starsÂ See all reviewsÂ (783 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #654 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #4 inÂ Books > Children's Books > Early Learning > Basic Concepts > Sense & Sensation #6 inÂ Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Poetry > Dr. Seuss #70 inÂ Books > Children's Books > Humor

Age Range: 2 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## **Customer Reviews**

Dr. Seuss' original book is a wonderful, rhythmic book. That book is suggested for children four to eight years old. It is NOT the same as the Bright and Early Board Book which will pull the same reviews here on .com as the original book! The board book is an abridged version of the Dr. Seuss favorite. It is not a bad book (my son has fun with the board book which he received as a gift and likes to hear grandma make the sounds Mr. Brown makes). However, it is in no way as detailed as the original (no gum-chewing hippo for example) and the rhythm doesn't quite "work" in some

places ("...He can sound like a bee. Mr Brown can buzz. How about you? Can you buzz? ..."). If I could separate my reviews I would give the Bright and Early Board book Two Stars and the Dr. Seuss original Four Stars. Perhaps if I didn't know that the board book was abridged I'd give it a higher score, but if you wish to make the better purchase, I'd suggest you go with the original.

This book is a Seuss classic and is perfect for babies as young as 4 months. The sounds are funny and you can interact with your child who will be fascinated by the noises you make when reading the story. Since the first words for many children are animal sounds, this book helps promote early speech. It makes a wonderful gift and is small enough that your child can "read" it him/herself.

Highly recommended!

I highly recommend this book. I have been reading it to my daughter since she was four months old and she loves it. The sounds and noises fascinate her and she never takes her eyes off the pages every time I read it to her. This is one of the few books that has kept her attention repeatedly. We read it several times a day. It's one of Dr. Seuss's best!

This bright and early board book is an abridged edition of a Dr. Seuss classic. The intent seems to have been to create an infant and toddler friendly edition of the book. Unfortunately, the editing was done very poorly. Much of what children seem to perceive at this age is "rhythm and rhyme" - the musicality of spoken language, if you will - not necessarily the story or the words themselves. In the editing process, much of the special "rhythm and rhyme" that makes Dr. Seuss so special was garbled. While some of the "noises" are still fun, much has been lost and this edition isn't half as good as the unabridged (non-board book) version. If you are looking for a book of "wonderful noises" for young children in a board book format, a better bet would be Sandra Boynton's "Moo Baa La La La" (published by Simon and Schuster and available on [www..com](http://www..com)). Or, wait until your child is a little older and purchase the unedited Dr. Seuss (also available on [www..com](http://www..com)). Incidentally, Random House decided to publish this edition without acknowledging the fact that it is an abridgement, in clear lettering, on the front outer cover. Other of this company's board books reportedly share the same problem. The legalities notwithstanding, this is certainly a misleading practice, if not outright unethical. Wake up, Random House!

This book deserves many more than five stars for its great ability to engage your child with books at a very young age! With this head start, you can expect to help nurture a lifelong love of books and

reading. Dr. Seuss must have known that children respond more to noises than to words. So this book emphasizes noises. It also provides a wonderful opportunity to act. The facial expressions, gestures, and body movements you make will create a strong impression. Soon your baby will begin to imitate the sounds. Imitating the word syllables and words is seldom far behind. "Oh, the wonderful things Mr. Brown can do! He can go like a cow He can go Moo Moo" Sections all start off like that. Then they end with the encouragement to imitate: "Mr. Brown can do it. How about you?" You can point to your child then, and repeat the sound with a nice smile. Here are the animals or objects, and the sounds they make that are in the book: bee -- "Buzz Buzz" cork -- "Pop Pop" horse feet -- "Klopp Klopp Klopp" squeaky shoe -- "Eek Eek" rooster -- "Cock a Doodle Doo" owl -- "Hoo Hoo Hoo Hoo" rain -- "Dibble Dibble Dibble Dopp" train -- "Choo Choo Choo Choo" butterfly -- "Whisper Whisper" horn -- "Blurp Blurp Blurp Blurp" big cat drinking -- "Slurp Slurp Slurp Slurp" clock -- "Tick Tock" hand on a door -- "Knock Knock" egg in frying pan -- "Sizzle Sizzle" hippopotamus chewing gum -- "Grum Grum" goldfish kiss -- "Pip!" thunder -- "Boom Boom Boom" lightning -- "Splatt Splatt Splatt" The sounds are repeated as partial and total lists in several places. These repetitions can be made very humorous in your reading and cause gales of baby giggles. Except for the lists, there is a beautiful large illustration to help your baby or child tie the sound to an animal or object. A good way to enhance your baby's enjoyment of the book is to notice what sounds your baby seems to like already. For example, most babies like low, comfort sounds (in the moo moo range). You can add those sounds and your own drawings (or photographs) to go with them. You could have a refrigerator go Hum Hum Hum, or a car go Wrooom Wrooom. Your own ideas will be better than mine, I'm sure. Have a wonderful time being a parent, and be sure to take the time to enjoy the pleasures of books like this one with your baby!

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