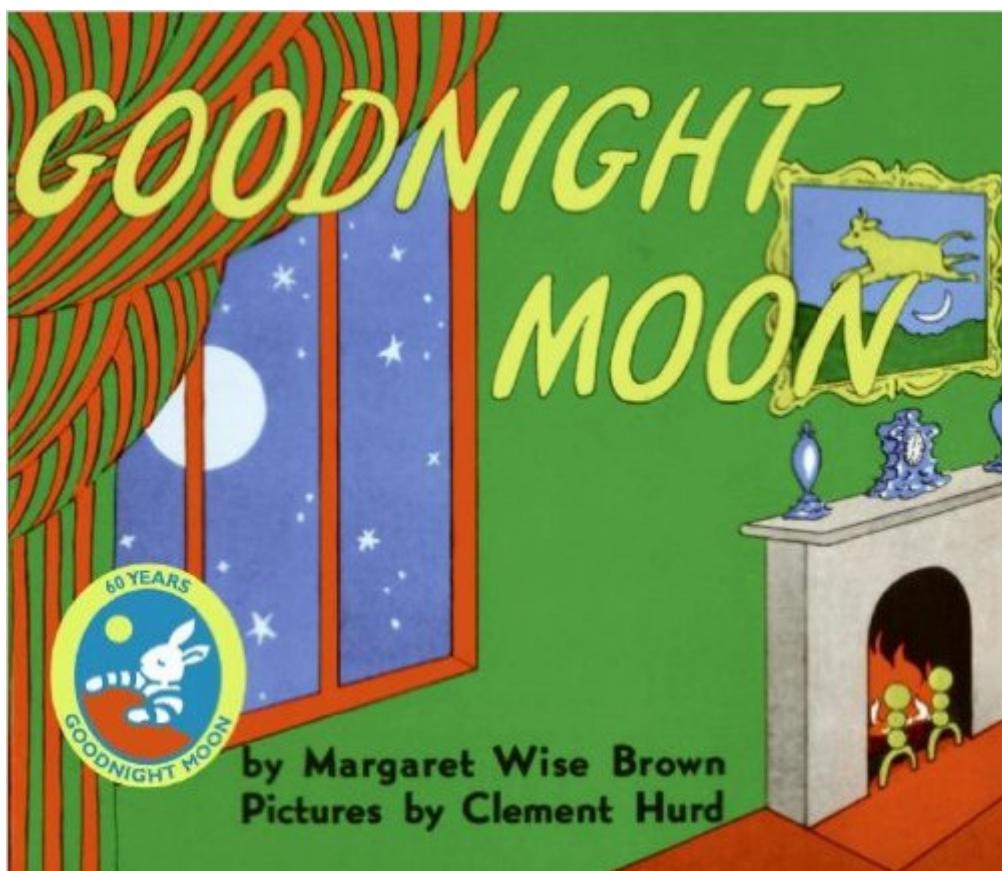


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# Goodnight Moon



## Synopsis

In a great green room, tucked away in bed, is a little bunny. "Goodnight room, goodnight moon." And to all the familiar things in the softly lit room--to the picture of the three little bears sitting in chairs, to the clocks and his socks, to the mittens and the kittens, to everything one by one--he says goodnight. In this classic of modern children's literature, beloved by generations of readers and listeners, the quiet poetry of the words and the gentle, lulling illustrations combine to make a perfect book for the end of the day.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Until I started reading to my older son, I didn't really understand what was this book's unique hold on people was. However, from my first reading to him, I did! There must be something magical about this book and the way children love it. It's very comforting to them, with the easy to memorize lines and the gentle arrival in the great green room of nighttime. However, it's also full of little details for them to notice and delight in--the hidden mouse, the dollhouse with lights on, the pictures on the wall. It's the perfect book to start kids "reading" themselves---leave out the crucial word in a line and wait for them to say it---"a bowlful of...." "MUSH!", they scream with delight! And they all love the "Goodnight Nobody" page best---I think it really gets kids thinking in a philosophical way---How can you say Goodnight to Nobody? This book is a true, true gem and belongs in every library.

I got this book (in the board version) for a shower gift for my now 2-year-old daughter. I didn't

remember reading this book as a child and at first it seemed a little odd -- the pictures weren't tremendously appealing and the rhyme scheme seemed strange. I have, however, been converted. After reading the book several times to my newborn daughter, I noticed how soothing it was to her. She seemed to be able to see the pictures and, as she got older, would reach out to touch elements in each. We read it every night for months, because it seemed to set a good tone for bedtime. After learning a little more about how children think, I began to understand what made it so appealing -- the ritual of saying good night to familiar objects helped reassure her when she had to say good night to her mom and dad, which can be scary for tiny kids. Now, of course, she's a big girl and says it's a "baby book". However, it's still by her bed and I've overheard her "reading" it to herself or to her baby brother many times. It's an excellent choice for a baby you love.

This is a book that I read every night to my children. For years, I could not quite put my finger on its appeal. Finally, it clicked one day. There is a cadence to the story that is like a mediation mantra, quietly and gently calming you and your child down. In addition, the book's text and illustrations are matched in a way that it is natural to point out the words and pictures to your child, and for them to do the same as they grow older. This means that you are also starting to teach reading in a natural, relaxed way. In addition, we all tend to see the glass as half empty rather than as half full.

Goodnight Moon encourages a sense of gratitude for whatever is around us. That is a profound and wonderful lesson for everyone to have. Finally, children are fascinated by how another child's room might look. So you also help them to understand the differences among families. How many other books do you know that accomplish so much? Best of all, you and your children (and grandchildren, perhaps) will have wonderful memories to share. That's fantastic! Enjoy!

I raised my three children on Margaret Wise Brown's "Goodnight Moon" - my husband and I can still recite the whole book by heart... I have given it as a gift at more baby showers than I can count - including to my daughter and my daughter-in-law and I have been lucky enough to read it to my grandchildren. Now that we are living hundreds of miles apart from these beloved grandchildren, I rarely have the luxury of reading them "Goodnight Moon" at bedtime, so I thought I would give the recordable books a try. I was very happy with the ease of recording (it helped that this is a short, simple book) and now my babies can have Nana read them a bedtime story whenever they want. I definitely recommend this version as a good addition to a child's library.

I bought this book as a gift for my sixteen month old and he fell in love with it. I also have a five year

old that really enjoys it too. When they go to the book shelf they always bring this one back first, and we have to read it two or three times before they go get another book. I would recommend this book to anyone looking for a good children's book.

This was the first book I wanted for my now 4-month-old, and I'm so glad. It's a definite part of our bedtime ritual (now that we have one), and I've enjoyed reading it to her since she was about 2 weeks old. Different pages grab her interest at different stages; initially she loved to stare at the cow jumping over the moon, and now it's the last page with the dimly lit room. This book has the best of all combinations: simple black and white images; bright color combinations; simple phrases; repetition. And as an adult, I've loved noticing the small details, such as the way the moon travels through the window space and the little bunny changes position to say goodnight to all his treasures. GRAB YOUR TISSUES: I recently posted some photos of my husband reading this to our baby on a message board. One of the women there said that the photos brought up some strong emotions, because she could hear her beloved late mother's voice reading those words to her even now. As I read this to Emily, I realize I may be creating lifelong memories of time with her mother and father. "Goodnight Moon" is the perfect book for this kind of magic.

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