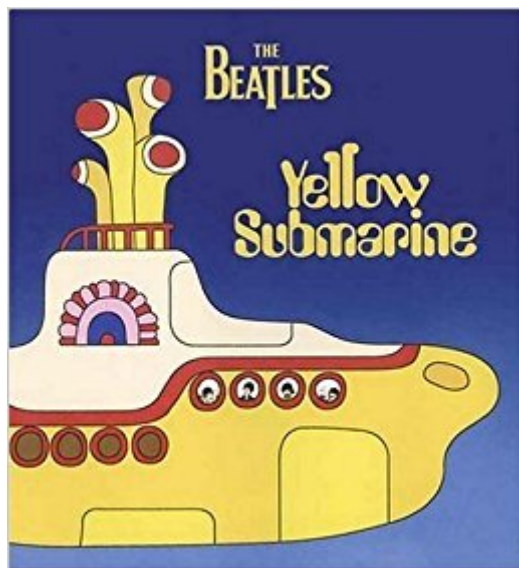


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# Yellow Submarine



## Synopsis

A whole new generation will be climbing aboard this sunny, psychedelic storybook, while nostalgic Beatles fans of all ages will be clamoring for a ticket to ride. Once upon a time (or maybe twice), some 80,000 leagues beneath the sea, there lay a colorful land of song and laughter called Pepperland, where Sergeant Pepper's Band was always playing your song — until the Blue Meanies burst on the scene and chased all the music and magic away. So began the classic 1968 film *Yellow Submarine*, inspired by a song and hailed as an avant-garde amalgam of pop art, Beatles music, and highly innovative animation. Now that film's dazzling images — and its lighthearted, witty tale — is showcased in a glorious picture book sure to be savored by fans and readers of all ages.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 and up

Grade Level: Kindergarten and up

## Customer Reviews

Grade 1-5 — In 1968, the movie *Yellow Submarine* broke new ground by combining popular songs with clever animation to tell a surrealistic story. This book combines an adaptation of the screenplay with artwork from the film. When Pepperland is threatened by the Blue Meanies and its inhabitants are turned into colorless statues, Captain Fred climbs into a yellow submarine and sets off to get help. After landing in Liverpool, he returns with the Beatles and together they journey underwater through the Sea of Monsters, are sucked into an inside-outside world, and survive the

Sea of Holes. Eventually, they return to Pepperland to discover that the Fab Four fit into the uniforms of Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band. When they begin to sing, everything returns to normal and even the Blue Meanies are transformed into kinder, gentler beings. Trying to translate the ebullience of the movie into a book is a daunting challenge, one that doesn't quite succeed. The text has some of the wonderful puns from the movie, but somehow they fall flat here. Some references might be over the heads of many youngsters. The illustrations combine slightly blurry film cels with pop-art cartoons of the main characters. The color palette is off with some of the yellows turned greenish. Neither the words nor the music of the title song are included. Still, for children who are interested in animation and movies, this book does have a place. ãœBina Williams, Bridgeport Public Library, CT Copyright ãœ © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Inspired by the song "Yellow Submarine" from the Beatles' Revolver album, the film YELLOW SUBMARINE was released in 1968 and was quickly hailed as a visionary masterpiece. This extraordinary collaboration of talent ãœ Heinz Edelmann's art wedded with Beatles music ãœ was brought to life in celluloid with groundbreaking animation techniques. More than thirty-five years later, the film continues to beguile adults and children alike.

Although I enjoyed reading the book because I'm a big Beatles fan, it was way above my 4-year-old granddaughter's comprehension. I bought it with her in mind because she loves the song. She's just too young to understand the clever word play involved and she thought the Blue Meanies were kind of scary. I'll set it aside and maybe we'll try again when she's older.

Bought this for my 3 year old daughter who has adopted my love of the Beatles. She loves it and it has helped her want to learn more about the Beatles and their song lyrics. We read it most nights before bedtime. She now knows the words by memory and reads along with me.

Great book for a Beatles fan

The Beatles get five stars. The artwork gets five stars. The storyline gets zero stars. That averages to 3.33333 stars.

Lovely book.

My 9-year-old son loved it.

the grandchildren love it...

What can I say? I was hooked just like the millions of other teens during this time in History!!

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