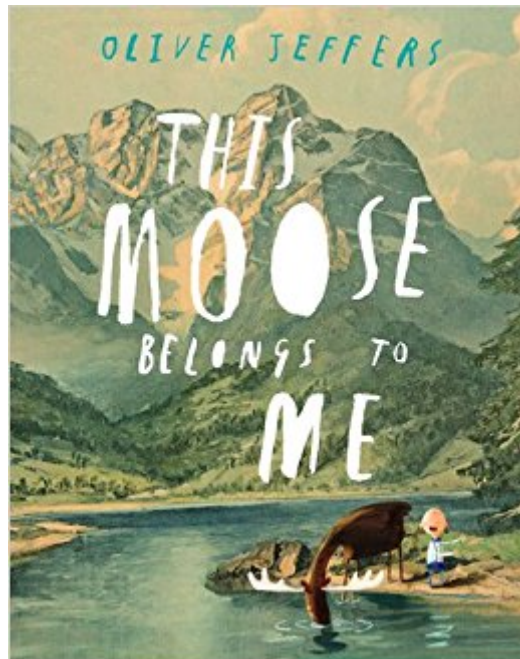




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This Moose Belongs To Me



Synopsis

From the illustrator of the #1 smash hit *The Day the Crayons Quit* comes the age-old tale of a boy and his moose . . . Wilfred is a boy with rules. He lives a very orderly life. It's fortunate, then, that he has a pet who abides by rules, such as not making noise while Wilfred educates him on his record collection. There is, however, one rule that Wilfred's pet has difficulty following: Going whichever way Wilfred wants to go. Perhaps this is because Wilfred's pet doesn't quite realize that he belongs to anyone. A moose can be obstinate in such ways. Fortunately, the two manage to work out a compromise. Let's just say it involves apples. Oliver Jeffers, the bestselling creator of *Stuck* and *The Incredible Book Eating Boy*, delivers another deceptively simple book sure to make kids giggle.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

K-Gr 2-Wilfred wants a pet, so when a moose just happens to wander by, the boy claims him as his own and dedicates a lot of time to teaching Marcel the rules of being a good one. They fill their days exploring the countryside and taking long walks. One day, however, Wilfred discovers that his moose might have a whole other life that he knows nothing about. He must figure out how to process this shocking discovery and decide if he can accept the fact that he must alter the boundaries of their friendship. With its classic story of friendship and witty text, this beautiful picture book will appeal to children. The fonts are mixed between standard type and words that appear to

be handwritten. Speech bubbles appear on some pages as well, to give voice to Wilfred and several other characters. The illustrations are a combination of oil paint onto old linotype, painted landscapes, and technical enhancements. The characters are whimsical and bright, and the appealing landscapes carry readers along on this journey of two unlikely friends. This *Moose Belongs to Me* will be adored by younger elementary students, particularly those who have longed to keep a wild animal as a pet.-Amy Shepherd, St. Anne's Episcopal School, Middleton, DE (c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

Starred Review Wilfred is a young man with seriousness of purpose (and a bow tie and suspenders), and he owns a moose. Finders keepers, after all. Wilfred explains to his moose, Marcel, all of the rules for being a good pet, but Marcel is impervious to such instructions. Indeed, the pair happens upon a little old lady only to discover that Marcel is actually Rodrigo, and not Willard's moose at all. Willard departs, despondent, and gets himself into some trouble, involving a tangle of powder-blue string and the advent of monsters. But the moose shows up to save him, and the two arrive at a new arrangement. Or so it seems . . . Jeffers composes his trademark painterly cartoon figures atop a variety of backgrounds, including Victorian linotypes and some Serbian landscape paintings (scrupulously sourced). He mashes them together with a bit of intentional pixilation and lots of good cheer, and infuses the mix with remarkable drama, conveying a bevy of emotions with simple gestures and an astute sense of color. The result is a spirited, appealing romp that hums with motley vitality and good-natured humor, certain to induce cheers and groans and chuckles galore. Preschool-Grade 3. --Thom Barthelmess

A lovely story about a boy who thinks he owns a moose...the pictures are beautiful and I love how this book has a moral but it's not in your face.

I am on my way to owning EVERY Oliver Jeffers book! We absolutely LOVE his work!!! His stories are so witty, original and cute!!! My grandmother, who also shares a love of children's books w me has also fallen in love, and bought herself a copy! My 4 year old absolutely adores his books (but I might more!) Sometimes, when I teach (I am an elementary substitute teacher in the state of Washington) I bring his books to read as a "reward" at the end of the day. Just LOVE them. Really smart. GREAT illustrations!!!

This Moose Belongs to Me is a delightful tale told from the egocentricity of a child. It develops the understanding that in life, what we think is ours, may in fact be shared by many. I purchased this as a birthday gift for a 3-year-old. Where she now is entertained and interested in the pictures and artistry of the page, at some point through multiple readings (which DOES happen!), she'll get the underlying message it presents. Good choice!

our 4 Year old LOVES this book!

A fun story that I enjoy reading to my daughter.

My wife and I are both lovers of moose to begin with, so this book immediately appealed to us. We were even more thrilled when we actually received it and got to read it all the way through. The story is cute, witty, and fun. Definitely our favorite kids' book so far!

Such a cute story!

So cute! Amazing illustrations and isn't painful to read!

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