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Books For Kids: How To Catch A Monster (Children's Book About A Boy And A Cookie Eating Monster, Picture Books, Preschool Books, Ages 3-5, Baby Books, Kids Book, Bedtime Story)





# **Synopsis**

Read it FREE as part of your PRIME or Kindle Unlimited membership\*\*\* This picture book features vivid, full-color layouts with Kindle Text Pop-Up \*\*\*Eric hates taking a bath. Eric hates brushing his teeth. Eric hates putting on his pajamas. Let's face it, Eric hates getting ready for bed. Thankfully, Eric's mom and dad have the perfect plan to help their little boy. Find out what a plate of chocolate chip cookies and a monster has to do with it. How to catch a monster is a fun and beautifully illustrated book with a surprisingly sweet ending that all readers will surely enjoy. this charming children's story that is sure to become a favorite. If you enjoy this book, please check out One Little Dragon. Itâ TMs our family favorite. Reviews: "This actually brought a tear to my eye reading this to my two year old." "My favorite thing about this book were the awesome illustrations. Wow! Loved the vivid colors and textures. One of the most professional looking indie ebooks I've seen and on par (or above) with published children's books. The story was cute and also so much better than most indie ebooks. I can see kids asking for this story to be read many times and wanting a monster of their own!" This is such a clever book! My kids constantly ask me to read it over and over again. The pictures are amazing and the best part is the surprise ending!" This is an endearing story of a boy and his 'monster'/dad and their time together every night. It is a great read."

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### Customer Reviews

A very fun, well drawn, and colorful book with a main character right at the perfect age to himself hear the story told and marvel gleefully at its illustrations. Young children will have no trouble identifying with the eager, earnest, and just the littlest bit pesky main character. Nighttime blues and violets set the bedtime mood for a quick and upbeat romp into the imagination. The little boy's expressions of surprise, anticipation, and delight are likely to get a grin out of both children and adults, and the surprise ending is wonderful. There is just a bit of word usage that may challenge the littlest ones and prompt questions in a good way. Instead of merely saying words and using "said" to show that they did so, characters "beamed," "replied," and "exclaimed" their dialogue here and there. That may be enough to prompt a question eventually, but kids will probably intuit the meanings of those words as the story is read without feeling it was disrupted. If kids are curious as to exactly what those words mean, good for them and, as a parent, good for you for having the opportunity to introduce some words a very young child may not be used to using or hearing. The word usage is otherwise simple and always charming. Highly recommended. This is a book that's both gentle and sweet without being cloying or didactic. Very easy to enjoy and highly recommended.

"How to Catch a Monster" is a delightful book that will engage and amuse young readers and listeners. Michael Yu has given that audience a book to which they may relate and from which they may "learn a lesson". The excellent writing adds value to this book and provides an example of what a book should be to those aspiring writers of children's books. Eric, the main character of "How to Catch a Monster", is himself a "monster". His obstinate refusal to get ready for bed and then to stay there are actions that all parents have experienced. His clever mother gives him a plate of cookies with which he can lure the monster and teaches Eric a poem that will "call" a monster from under the bed. Repeated successes end in Eric discovering the monster's secret and in his going willingly to bed. The vividly colored illustrations are appealing and enhance the impact of the narrative. They have depth and dimension rather than appearing as though they are flat cartoons as do many illustrations in current children's books. "How to Catch a Monster" is fun to read and even more fun to read to a toddler who may be Eric's "doppelganger". It makes its point and will have the child laughing as he/she learns a valuable lesson.

Last night I read this book to my 3 year old, using my Kindle Fire HD6... And he snuggled into me, completely rapt. He is absolutely obsessed with monsters, and the idea of a monster that comes out at night to play was thrilling to him. The art in this book is really nice and there was even an "easter egg" of Mike Wakowski from Monster's Inc. in one panel. The twist at the end is super cute... And now my son is asking me to make cookies so every night he can call a monster to play with him before bed :)I'll be purchasing more books from Michael Yu in the future.

My kids love this story very much, every night they're always asking me to read it before bedtime. What they love most is at the end of the story, Eric found out that the monster is his Dad. This is what their Dad does, a little playtime before bedtime, my kids miss their Dad so much. It's so hard for them being away from their Dad. That's why they want me to read the story everynight, they can relate.

My two year old really enjoyed this story. Not only that, but I did as well and felt very touched by the story. When the book was over, my two year old exclaimed, "again?". I think this is a perfect book for a bedtime routine and the illustrations are also really beautiful.

My 3 year old grandson really enjoyed this book. He was able to learn and repeat the "monster, monster, one, two, three" chant on each page very easily. This added to his enjoyment of the book.

I read a lot. Every day I read a lot, and out of every children's book I have seen...well, ever...this is hands down the best of the best. My kids fell completely in love with this book from the very first page. The pictures are great and the story is even better. I have bought a lot of kids books for the kindle in the last year and been disappointed with a number of them because the story was too short or too long or the pictures looked lousy on the kindle, but this one was perfect. The story was just long enough to keep the kinds entertained without them getting bored. The end of this book was a surprise even to the adults in the house and made all of us smile. The kids insisted that we keep this one and read it again. If you have kids, I highly recommend downloading this wonderful book!

I read this book to my five year old son last night and he liked it very much. He tells me it's a four star read for him, not a five. He liked it a lot, but he didn't love it. That's not surprising seeing as how he usually has no interest in anything that does not involve cars, trains, planes, or building

something. LOL As a matter of fact, I was surprised at how much he really enjoyed the book. Anyhow, it's a really cute story about an adorable four year old boy, Eric, who gets to play with a friendly monster every night at bedtime. Eric hates going through his bedtime routine; you know, taking a bath, brushing his teeth, and putting on pjs. In order to entice Eric to get ready for bed, his mom tells him about the monster who will come to play with him once he's ready for bed. Of course Eric is intrigued and very quickly rushes through his routine. The story that unfolds is original, nicely written, and very entertaining; it is also beautifully illustrated. My son says the monster in the story reminds him of Sculley from Monster's Inc.; me too, except for the pink splotches on his coat. :-)

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