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# Happy Birthday, Bad Kitty





### Synopsis

Get ready to party!It's Bad Kitty's birthday, and she's wishing for a special gift. If she doesn't get it, well . . . things won't be pretty for her guests. The guest list includes Chatty Kitty, Strange Kitty, Stinky Kitty, and her other neighborhood "pals." Plus, don't forget Uncle Murray and Poor Puppy! Join in on the fun in this riotous companion to Bad Kitty Gets a Bath!

#### **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 610L (What's this?) Series: Bad Kitty Paperback: 176 pages Publisher: Square Fish; 1 edition (May 11, 2010) Language: English ISBN-10: 0312629028 ISBN-13: 978-0312629021 Product Dimensions: 5.6 x 8 inches Shipping Weight: 1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars 120 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #17,619 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #93 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Animals > Cats #160 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations #179 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Chapter Books & Readers > Chapter Books Age Range: 7 - 10 years Grade Level: 2 - 5

#### **Customer Reviews**

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I give this book 4 stars because my daughter adores it, but this is not the best of the books in the Bad Kitty series. Nevertheless, it follows the precedent set by the other books and is a fun, charming, and informative read.I told myself I would not buy graphic novels for my children as it would make it more difficult for them to read regular books. Then my daughter fell in love with this series. She is on the verge of crossing the line from early reader books like Frog and Toad, Little Bear, and Henry and Mudge to chapter books like Magic Tree House and this is an excellent way to encourage her to read more and build her reading stamina while having fun.On a side note, this books makes me very happy that Bad Kitty does not live with us!

Happy Birthday, Bad Kitty just arrived this afternoon. Although it is a children's book, it is very funny for adults, too, and my husband and I read it over each others' shoulders after work and had a much needed laugh. Especially on page 140.Yes, it has over 140 pages, but they are short, and it took us only about 10 minutes to read silently. We haven't finished reading it to our daughter yet, but I am guessing it would take about 45 minutes to read aloud, or maybe longer if you can't stop laughing. There are informative facts about cats in the book, such as their crepuscular nature (not many kids' books use that word), how cat's claws grow, and why they shouldn't eat chocolate. The book is long enough, and the vocabulary complex enough, that one might wonder if kids would like it. The answer is yes. Our 5-year-old daughter loves all four Bad Kitty books, both the long and the short ones, and finds them hilarious. I asked her why, and she said it was the biting and destruction. She also likes the illustrations and the stories. For those who read the previous Bad Kitty books, it didn't seem as wordy as Bad Kitty Gets a Bath. Also, although the alphabet makes a triumphant return in the early pages, it is mostly a story, not an alphabet book. For those who haven't read the previous books, give them a try!

arrived in good shipping condition. i love bad kitty as do my preschool students, i thought this was more colorful, so disappointed about that, but love bad kitty, entertaining and appropriate and learning for children.

Super fast seller. Granddaughter loves the Bad Kitty collection. She is 8 and in 3rd grade but has the reading skills of an 8th grader. I can thank books like these that hold her interest and make her

love to read in between her many other activities. She lends them to her friends also and they always thank my daughter for getting their kids to read as well. Great job.

My seven year old loves these books. They make a good transition from the Level number books to chapter books. They offer a few pictures to break up the text. Humorous and entertaining. Be warned though, if your child is on a third grade level or higher, they will consume this book in about an hour.

I fell in love with Bad Kitty while tutoring first graders in reading! I love everything this cat does. It's always funny to see how things turn out.

You can take the above sentence at face value. My 10 yo son loves all the "Wimpy Kid" books but also really enjoys the inimitable 'Bad Kitty' (between his dad's house and mine we have 11). However, more importantly in this instance, I was able to help my 72 yo mother other this as a bday present for my older son online and, what do you know, she got to wrap it herself before Christmas. I am trying to help her get more comfortable with buying online....and would only set her loose on sites I myself implicitly trust. is the gold standard as far as I'm concerned, and if I can get a non-content-related item of merchandise on , for equal or ever a lower price, I am one Happy Kitty.

but these books have a special kind of kid appeal that is worth recognition! I have an advanced 4 year old reader who normally reads on around a 1st grade level, but these books are so entertaining she can't get enough. Tonight, we read the ENTIRE Happy Birthday Bad Kitty book in one sitting. A book of this length is normally unheard of for her, regardless of who is reading it. We took turns reading, she read two pages and I read two pages, until the next thing we knew the whole book was done! She just flew through it... she was so into it that there was never a thought of "I don't know this or that word" the words just came out. The only part I really HAD to read for her were the "Uncle Murray" sections and a few really hard words. I kept trying to stop between each chapter to get her to bed but she wouldn't hear of it, "No no I have to see what happens next!" Keep writing more Mr. Bruel, I have a feeling we will be through the existing books quite quickly!

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