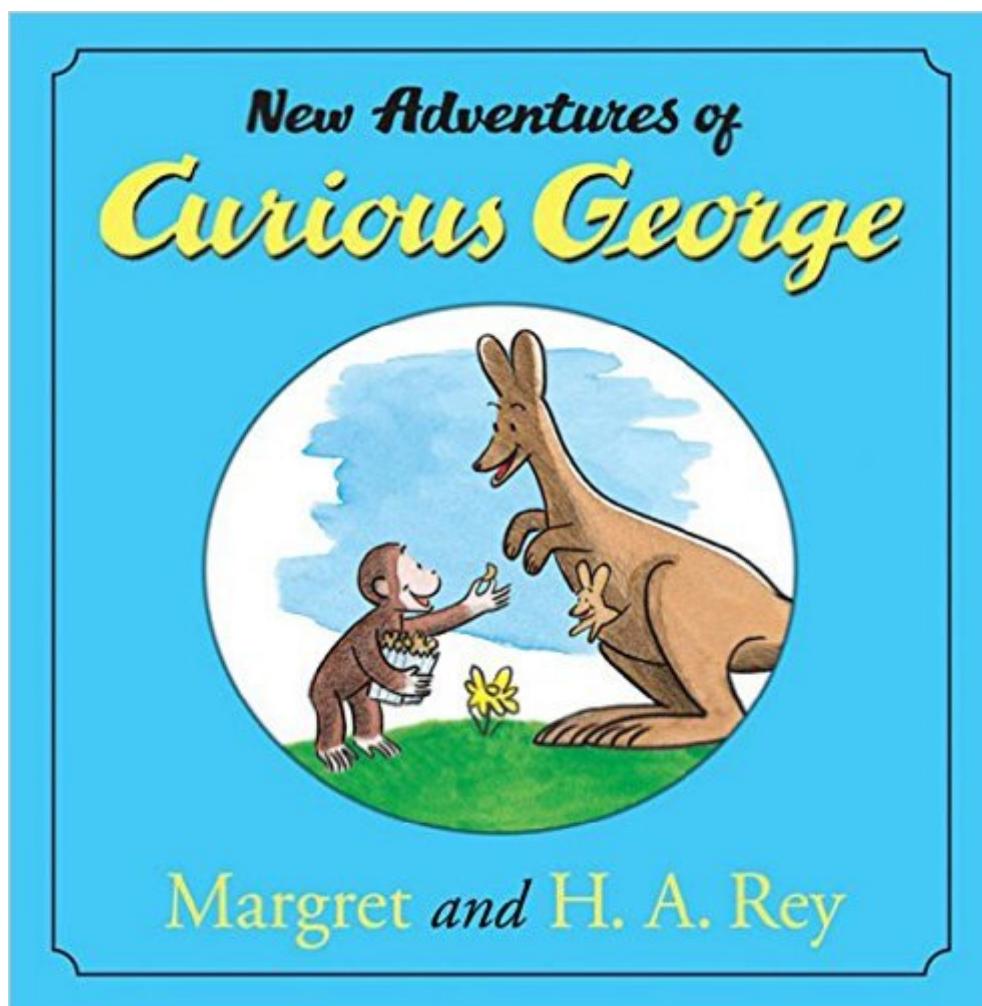


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The New Adventures Of Curious George



Synopsis

H. A. Rey and his wife, Margret, first introduced young readers to the big-hearted, fun-loving troublemaker-hero Curious George in 1941. In this two-hundred-page hardcover treasury, Curious George fans will find eight stories based on the popular primate, painted in Reyâ™s original watercolor and charcoal style: Curious George Goes to a Chocolate Factory (1998), Curious George and the Puppies (1998), Curious George Makes Pancakes (1998), Curious George Feeds the Animals (1998), Curious George Goes to a Movie (1998), Curious George and the Hot Air Balloon (1998), Curious George in the Snow (1998), and Curious Georgeâ™s Dream (1998). A five-page essay about the author-illustrator team closes this appealing collection of adventures for Curious George fans young and old. For more monkey fun, investigate www.curiousgeorge.com and discover all the latest on Curious George, books, promotions, games, activities, and more!

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Customer Reviews

I simply cannot understand why people are giving this book a hard time. Yes it is true that the stories & pictures contained in this wonderful collection were not actually written and drawn by the Reys, but who really cares? This book stays true to the Curious George tradition. In fact, if it wasn't stated in the book, you might otherwise never have noticed. The stories are humorous, fun, exciting, suspenseful and always have a happy ending. The adventures George gets into in this series are

more applicable to kids today. Although it is fun to see George get sent into space, a child simply can't relate to that. However, I don't think there is one of us who can't empathize with the excitement of going to a movie or the fun of playing with puppies. The bottom line is that you could nitpick the details of it, but if you don't like this fabulous collection, then you don't deserve to call yourself a true Curious George fan.

I have to respectfully disagree with the preceding reviews. This book is great! My 3 year can't get enough. The art is outstanding and the stories are fun. One of the simple facts of parenthood is that you will end up reading the same books hundreds of times. They might as well be Curious George books.

every story in this book has been made with the same storyline. The original fun and creativity is gone. My opinion - if you want good original George, buy the original, this is rehash which can be great for the very young, but my daughter and I have quickly gotten bored with this

My 21-month old son loves the book, but I'm thoroughly sick of it already even though I've previously enjoyed the Curious George books. These stories are barely different from some previous "George" books I've read - for instance, Curious George and the Puppies is very, very similar in story line to Curious George and the Bunny - which is itself a rehash of a scene in Curious George Flies a Kite. I agree that the illustrations are great, and I realize that little kids like to know what to expect from a George book, but at least the adventures should sound adventurous!

We are big fans of Curious George at our house! I love these treasury books that give you so many wonderful stories all in one. We have read this treasury (and many others) over and over again - they never get old. They are also great books for beginning readers to read once they can master other books like Biscuit or other 'I can read' level 1 or pre-readers. One thing that I did with my children when they started reading these was alternate. Depending on how confident they are, you can start with alternating sentences and then alternating pages. Another thing that helped my son was tapping my hand when he didn't know a word...then he would continue on after I would read only that word. This helped because he could get pretty frustrated and angry sometimes. After implementing the 'tap,' reading no longer became a chore or something that made you feel bad because you didn't know some of the words. After that, we were just able to enjoy the stories together knowing we might not know every word, and that is okay because sometimes we need a

little help. The tap helped because he didn't have to keep saying "I don't know this!!!!" We found that a really easy solution to solve that issue. But back to Curious George...really fun stories for kids and adults alike! And purchasing the treasury books are a cost-effective way to add a ton of books (8 in this one!) to your home library. Highly recommend!

If you are buying for a potential Curious George fan I suggest you stay away from this collection until you have read the originals together and established Curious George as an adventurous character.(UPDATE) Though my son liked the collection of original Curious George stories, he did not initially respond to the new collection. Lately he has grown to like this book so he would probably rate the collection higher than I have. From a parent's point of view these stories are 'safer' in that (unlike the original stories) George never does anything that would be considered truly irresponsible or dangerous. The following will NEVER occur in the new stories. George will not knock himself out with ether, he will not be swept away while grasping a bundle of helium balloons, George will not climb the side of a skyscraper without a belay, nor will send his customers' newspapers downstream as paper boats - etc. Rather, in the new formula everything George seemingly does wrong is relatively safe and turns out to benefit the other characters. Though the new stories are arguably more parent friendly, this also leads to why many adult Curious George fans dislike the new stories. While reading, one constantly feels the deadening hand of a marketing department bent on insuring that no risks are taken and that the Curious George brand is in no way jeopardized. Ironically the resulting stories are antithetical to Curious George - I would even go so far to say that the stories do not reflect the same character. It's truly saddening to see such a wonderful, creative character lacquered in this way - and that's why you see one star reviews for this compilation.(And now it appears that the same business interest has spammed with cheery 5 star reviews.)

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