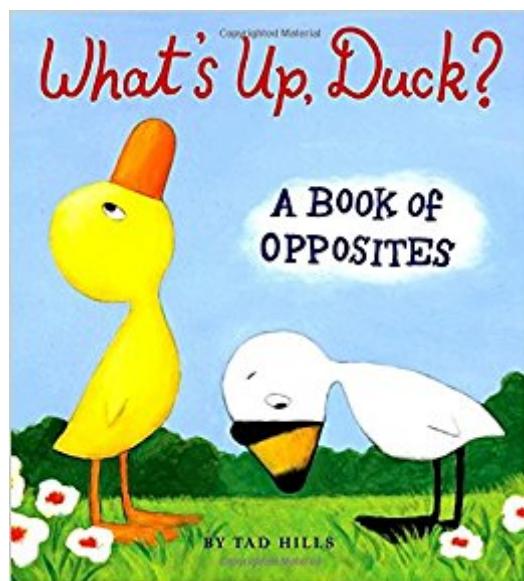


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What's Up, Duck?: A Book Of Opposites (Duck & Goose)



Synopsis

A quacktastic springtime read! The stars of the bestselling Duck & Goose and Duck, Duck, Goose return in this board book for preschoolers, this time, to introduce basic opposites. In this ALA-ALSC Notable Children's Book, Goose carries an oh-so-heavy log, while duck easily balances a light-as-a-feather feather. Thistle is one fast bird, but Goose is slooo-w. And when Duck is sound asleep, Goose is wide awake. With a simple text and colorful illustrations—plus the inimitable characters, of course—here is a wonderful, and humorous, introduction to an important concept.

Book Information

Series: Duck & Goose

Board book: 22 pages

Publisher: Schwartz & Wade; Brdbk edition (January 8, 2008)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 6.1 x 0.6 x 6.7 inches

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Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars 97 customer reviews

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Age Range: 2 - 3 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

Customer Reviews

In what seems a natural extension of Hills' uncluttered composition style and simple, toylike characters, the artist expands his Duck & Goose series of picture books with a board book. Helped by a new character, a bluebird, the three familiar feathered friends (Duck, Goose, and Thistle) demonstrate each of nine pairs of opposite words: front, back; near, far; high, low; and so forth. Very young children unacquainted with the characters may not find enough to engage their attention in the stripped-down scenes, which feature little more than birds, blue sky, and grass. The truth is, though, many toddlers will already know Duck & Goose (2006) and Duck, Duck, Goose (2007), both of which have ultrasimple texts perfectly accessible to young

preschoolers, and for these children, a variation better able to stand up to their rip-and-chew ministrations may be just the thing. Preschool. --Jennifer Mattson

Tad Hills is the author and illustrator of Duck & Goose, called "expressive" and "adorable" in a starred review from Kirkus Reviews and Duck, Duck, Goose, both New York Times bestsellers. He is also the illustrator of My Fuzzy Friends and Knock, Knock, Who's There? and a painter, an actor, and an obsessive Halloween costume-maker. He lives in Brooklyn, New York, with his wife and children.

This colorful boardbook uses some charming drawings of four birds to illustrate the concept of opposites. There is a yellow duck, a gray duck, a blue songbird and a white goose. The words for the opposites are on each page. Each scene shows the birds outside in the grass, doing opposite actions: * First they stand forward, then backward. * The gray duck screams while the blue bird whispers. * The gray duck leaps for joy while the goose sheds a tear. * The goose is close, the yellow duck stands far away. * The yellow duck walks slowly while the gray runs quickly. * The goose is clean, the yellow duck is muddy. * The yellow duck barely lifts the heavy goose while the gray duck balances a light feather. * The yellow duck has a butterfly on its head while the goose looks at one down on the ground. * Finally, the goose is awake while the other three birds sleep.

Duck and Goose have been a favorite from my nephews to now my own daughter! They are so simple for toddlers. Buying the "How are you Feeling" and my daughter literally memorizing the book and being able to read it to others (she's only 2). I had to purchase "Whats up duck". I would like to purchase the whole set but have yet to find it. Would highly recommend for everyone's book shelf!

(Janelle here) Our son loves the Duck and Goose books. This one teaches him about opposites, but the reason I gave it 4 stars instead of 5 is that it is super short and is literally one word a page...not very long at all. So, while it gets the idea across (which is the point, I suppose! haha), I wish it were longer.

My 19 month old loves Duck and Goose - this book is helping us understand opposites including awake/asleep, near/far, up/down, and my favorite quite/loud. While the book only has maybe 20 words, we talk about the pictures we see on each page and explain things like the red butterfly is up

and the blue butterfly is down. We've been working on inside voice vs. outside voice... so the quiet/loud page gives us a chance to talk what it means to be quiet and what it means to be loud. Another great Duck and Goose installment from Tad Hills.

This is the cutest little book. It's a chunky cardboard book so you know it will be durable and the images and words are so precious. I love this book!

Love giving the Duck and Goose books as gifts. I stock up on these because it seems like there is always a baby shower, holiday or birthday coming up. The smaller board books are perfect for infants - 3 years and the larger and hardcovers work well for older kids.

cute way of teaching opposites

We love this book so much, this is our second copy. The first one was in literal tatters. In defense of the printing, it made it through three heavy-duty book chewers!

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