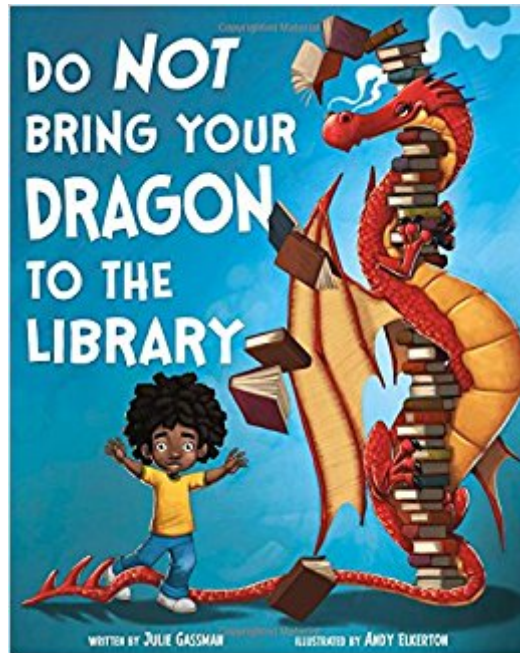




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Do Not Bring Your Dragon To The Library



Synopsis

Have you ever thought about bringing your dragon to the library? Don't do it! You might have the best intentions, but that dragon will cause nothing but trouble. Using rhyming text and a diverse cast of characters, this charming picture book will provide some important *library* and some not so important *library* etiquette in a very entertaining way.

Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

The youngest in a family of nine children, Julie Gassman grew up in Howard, South Dakota. After college, she traded in small-town life for the world of magazine publishing in New York City. She now lives in southern Minnesota with her husband and their three children. After graduating from Art College in the UK, Andy began a career as a graphic designer in the video games industry, when it was very much in its infancy. He continued as a graphic designer for fourteen years, until he decided to go back to his illustrative roots and try his hand at being a children's book illustrator. Since 2002 he has produced work for picturebooks, educational books, advertising, and toy design. He has been a finalist, twice, in the "Language Learner Literature" Awards, and has worked for clients all over the world. He currently lives in a small tourist town on the West coast of Scotland, with his wife and three children.

This book has great illustrations and a diverse cast of characters. There isn't much story per se, but rather rhyming couplets on each page demonstrating things that could go wrong if you bring your dragon to the library. The ending is great -- the librarian helps the protagonist to find a way around wanting to bring his dragon to the library. It's a fun and sweet book, and it helps that my daughter's school mascot is the dragon ;)

My son loves this book, he is only 13 months old but he wants us to read it to him every day. He goes to the shelf and gets it and brings it to us.

Very cute book, my 3 year old nephew who is into dragons loves this book.

Great introduction to the library! My K-2 students loved it.

Grandkids, ages 4 and 6 loved it.

My students loved it!

great

Do Not Bring Your Dragon To The Library is a lively rhyming picture book somewhat in the vein of Jane Yolen's dinosaur picture books (How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food , etc.). It doesn't quite have the smooth rhythm and flow of those works, and doesn't seal the deal quite as well, but it's an engaging bit of imaginative play both textually and visually and will I'm sure delight its young audience. It begins with the rule (the title) which will become the refrain throughout as the librarian offers up the many reasons a dragon in the library would become a debacle, as when they take up "ten spaces at least," break a chair they attempt to sit in, or, worst possibility of all, "She could over excite/and then chances are her flame will ignite!" The illustrations are playful and colorful and enhance the silliness of the text, especially in the facial expressions of the dragon, the bemused children, and the slightly less bemused adults. The visuals also offer up a nicely diverse mix of children and adults, and also refer to both female and male dragons. Beyond the occasional off rhythm, I only had two small (very small) quibbles. One is that when one of the children begs to have their dragon come thanks to all the good things in the library, he begins with

“movies and computers” the old-timer curmudgeon

in my would have preferred if books had been prioritized there (they're mentioned next to thus the "small quibble"). The other is the ending, which involves the librarian telling the kids they can use their library card to bring books home to their dragon. Which granted, does solve the problem, but how much better for both the dragons and the kids to have some resolution found to allow the dragons in the library? Those quibbles aside, Do Not Bring Your Dragon To The Library will make for an excellent read-aloud book as well as a good read-alone one.

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