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PUPPY GETS HIS OWN BOOK. Kitty's best friend stars in this zany companion to the best selling BAD KITTY. Poor, poor Puppy: Kitty isn't interested in playing, so all puppy's left with are: 1 Airplane, 2 Balls, 3 Cars, 4 Dolls... and 22 other toys. When he's done, Puppy's so tired, he takes a nap--and dreams of playing apple bobbing in Antarctica, Baseball in Brazil, Checkers in Canada, Dodgeball in Denmark... and 22 other games. Who else but Nick Bruel could combine the alphabet, a counting game, a whirlwind geography course, and a screamingly funny story... all in 40 pages?

Poor Puppy Details

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Stephenie Barnes says

I thought that this book was great. The story incorporates the alphabet and numbers. It goes up the alphabet by counting up and uses words that correspond with the specific letter. It also uses different words for the specific letter letting the children know the different words that letters begin with. In the story, the puppy dreams about different locations and things he can do like "Baseball in Brazil" or "Checkers in Canada". This allows the children to get familiar with different places around the world as well as activities. The author was also the illustrator and he did good at drawing the pictures. He created fun characters and bright pages that are sure to get the children interested in the book. This book is one in a series and the books are very good at keeping the children engaged and also allowing them to learn multiple things in one book.

Colleen says

This book is very busy.

Jimmy B Grande says

All that Poor Puppy wants is to play, Bad Kitty isn't having it.

Emyrose8 says

Cute! Poor puppy wants to play, but cat doesn't. So he plays by himself... first counting toys and then dreaming of playing (ABCs and countries). Neat!

Stephanie says

We love Bad Kitty and have read many of her books. We found this book at a garage sale and were surprised that we never heard of this title, "Poor Puppy!" This book reminded me a great deal of the original "Bad Kitty." This book did not fail to impress my children. My son loved stopping and counting the items in the pictures to make sure the correct amount was drawn. We also talked a bit about many of the pictures. Enjoyable bedtime book!

Greta is Erikasbuddy says

Poor Poor Puppy!

Why doesn't Kitty want to play with you?

Does that make her a bad Kitty? Or does that just mean you need to show her how much fun she's missing?

Puppy wants to play even if Kitty doesn't want to. In this counting/alphabet book we follow Puppy on his journey through the house in search of things to play with. Along the way he finds uber tons of toys under the couch. Nice fuzzy toys with bells and mouse tails on them. This has perked Kitty's interest.

After a full day of play, Puppy needs a nap. Puppy dreams of all the places and games he would like to play with Kitty. And when he wakes up... Kitty is still there. Hooray! Does that mean Kitty wants to play?

Greta's Thoughts

In the words of the great Poe: "AGAIN AGAIN!"

What? Were you thinking Edgar Allen?

This book was great! So vivid and creative! I love how simple minded Puppy is. He really does remind me of a dog. Of course not as superior as Bad Kitty.... but still... great!

If your little one is Team Cat or Team Dog it doesn't matter. This book will have them in stitches as Poor Puppy entertains himself while Bad Kitty teaches us what curiosity does to cats.

A great bedtime book and as for me... An extra entertaining read while eating breakfast :)

Edith says

Poor puppy! The poor little guy knows how to have fun.

Abigail says

Puppy, who was introduced at the very end of Bad Kitty, Nick Bruel's debut book about his badly behaved feline heroine, returns in this second picture-book, eager to play with his best friend. When Bad Kitty refuses to play with him, Puppy engages in a 1-26, A-Z list of activities, with his elusive feline companion (unbeknownst to him) keeping an eye on him. Then Puppy takes a nap, and dreams of another A-Z range of fun things he and Kitty could do together in various countries around the world. When he wakes up, he is delighted to discover that Bad Kitty is ready to play! Or is she...?

Like its predecessor, Poor Puppy and Bad Kitty is an alphabet book which features an amusing story, in this case that of a playful puppy who dreams of a companion who will join him in all of his fun activities. Nick Bruel adds counting and geography elements in this second picture-book, as Puppy's first A-Z sequence also features numbers, while his second one features countries, making this a title that addresses multiple early-learning concepts. Although I rated this one three stars, mostly because I have seen how well children take to

the Bad Kitty books, and appreciate both the humor and the creative mixture of story and concept displayed here, I cannot honestly say that I found it that entertaining. The artwork isn't really to my taste - it feels a little flat to me - and overall the book felt a little too busy. Still, tastes vary, and as mentioned above, I have seen many children really take to the *Bad Kitty* books, so parents in the market for concept books might want to give this one a try, especially if their youngster enjoys silly humor.

Sarah Sammis says

Poor Puppy by Nick Bruel is the sequel to Bad Kitty. The puppy has arrived and Bad Kitty doesn't approve.

While the kitty is thinking of ways to torture the puppy, the puppy is working his way through any number of things to play with. But he really wants to play with the kitty and he dreams of an A to Z world tour of places to see and things to do.

As other reviewers have noted, the alphabetical lists aren't as off the wall in Poor Puppy as they are in Bad Kitty but it's still a fun way to learn the alphabet, learn how to count and to learn world geography.

My son and daughter like the book for the sibling rivalry. While they get along most of the time, they have their moments. Kitty does eventually learn to live with and perhaps love Puppy and Poor Puppy shows his over the top process of adjusting to the new family member.

Natalie Pietro says

I really loved the fact that my son read this whole book to me. He was so super excited. He sure is growing up quickly.

Ray says

My daughter is a huge Bad Kitty fan!! So when she saw Poor puppy @library she had to check it out. She liked it very much but I personally thought it was lacking substance that Bad Kitty books always offered. Clearly I'm not the audience here. Poor Dad!!

Cassidy Reed says

Puppy wants Kitty to play, but Kitty doesn't want to today. Instead, Puppy decides to play with several toys. Puppy playing with these toys helps kids learn counting and the ABC's too. Next, Puppy is tired and decides to take a nap, dreaming about playing with Kitty. Puppy dreaming helps kids learn their ABC's a little better. Once Puppy wakes up, he plays with Kitty.

I did not really like this book because it did not flow well.

Poor Puppy would be great for younger kids who are just learning counting and their ABC's. I also think that

kids would find this book humorous too.

Bookworm's Nemesis says

Fun book with lots of visuals that go through the alphabet and numbers 1 to 26. A puppy really wants to play with kitty, but kitty does not want to, so instead the puppy dreams about it.

Mikayla says

Author Nick Bruel of the Bad Kitty series has created a book for Poor Puppy! This ABC/counting book is full of counting and ABC's as puppy finds something to do by himself. Poor puppy want's to play with kitty but since kitty isn't in the mood to play, puppy finds all the fun toys to play with by himself as he waits for kitty. Puppy wears himself out after all the playing so he decides to take a nap. During this nap, he dreams of kitty and all the places they could go A-Z around the world! When Puppy wakes up from his nap, kitty is ready to play and puppy couldn't be more excited! This would be a great ABC book for children who are strengthening their memory of the alphabet while also getting to enjoy a fun book!

Michelle says

This sequel to Bad Kitty is not quite as good as the first book. It's a lot of fun, however, and my daughter who likes puppies loves it. The book goes through numbers and the Alphabet, as well as alphabetically visiting other countries. When you read it, pay close attention to the pictures. There's a visual subplot that my kids find as entertaining as the book (maybe even a little more.) Poor Puppy is sad because Kitty won't play with him, so he finds all sorts of other things to play with until he's so tired he falls asleep and dreams about playing with Kitty all over the world. We have read this one a lot, and my husband still says, "Poor, Poor, POOR Puppy," anytime someone is sulking because they didn't get their way. Of course, the book is a lot more fun if you've already met Kitty from the Bad Kitty book.
