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Splat the Cat is off for a day at the beach in *Splat the Cat: A Whale of a Tale* by Rob Scotton.

Splat is excited because his grandfather told Splat that you can hear the sea if you put a seashell up to your ear. Splat is determined to discover a shell like that to bring back for his grandfather. But as hard as he looks on the beach, all he can find is broken shells. Until he gets some help from a new friend—a whale.

Splat the Cat: A Whale of a Tale is an I Can Read Level 1 book. It is perfect for kids who are beginning to sound out words and sentences.

Splat the Cat: A Whale of a Tale Details

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From Reader Review Splat the Cat: A Whale of a Tale for online ebook

Paula says

I love Splat the Cat! However, must admit the beginning readers are not as good as the picture books. Splat does not seem as vibrant and funny as he does in the picture books. Beginning readers are based on the creation of Rob Scotton and are not actually written by him which explains some of the problem.

Fourth Grade says

Splat the cat is going to a beach today,+ but Grandpa wants him to bring back a shell to hear the ocean too! Splat buckles up and gets ready for the ride! Once he gets there he was going to look for a shell, but Dad needs help with the umbrella and then his sister needs help spelling and then he gets hungry!Finally he can start his search. He looks and looks but just finds broken shells. While he looks, he finds a new friend along the way to help him on his search. I would recommend this book if you like cats and beaches. Enjoy reading the book!!!

Christine James says

The three year old loves splat the cat

This is a nice book for young children.my three and a half year old granddaughter. She thinks it's funny and the illustrations are great

Ryan says

Splat just wants a shell with the sound of the ocean to take to his grandpa. But he will have a whale of a tale instead.

Diana Pettis says

Guided reading level J. Simple sentences and realistic story.

Tam says

The book says this is a "Level 1 Beginning Reader" meaning short sentences, familiar words and simple concepts for children eager to read on their own.

Excerpt from the book:

"Splat the Cat buckled his seat belt.

'Let's go!' he yelled.

'It's vacation time!'

Everyone else piled in.

'Bring me back a shell so I can hear the sea, too!' said Grandpa.

'When I come back, I'll have a shell to show and a story to tell,' Splat said.

Grandpa waved farewell."

John Cleary says

An adorable children's book.

Kim says

Mini-Me picked this book out all by herself, so reading it was a big deal. Unfortunately, neither of us seemed to find the story that engaging.

It was good read-aloud practice for Mommy, though. I had to slow right down to keep my tongue from tripping up on some of the runs of s-blend words. It may also be helpful for Mini-Me in that regard, once she is reading on her own.

Kelley Bennett says

Splat the Cat is going to the beach and wants to get a shell for his grandfather. And of course, mishaps occur while looking for a shell. Splat has several books that tell of his misadventures with his friend Seymour. Beginning readers will love these books because there is not much text on each page and they will also enjoy the humor.

Velita says

Splat the cat goes on a hunt for a seashell for his grandfather because he was told that he would be able to hear the ocean. He goes looking for seashells but struggles because he only finds broken ones. He makes friends with a whale and they look together.

This is a good book that would help build letter-sound recognition.

Becky B says

Splat and family are headed to the beach, which of course turns out to be quite the adventure.

Though they don't really announcing this, each Splat reader features a different phonics/reading element for beginning readers. This one employs as many words with double letters as possible: sell, tell, farewell, wiggled, swell, dropped, etc. Sometimes the effort to incorporate as many of these words as possible gets in the way of the plot. For this book, it just makes sure the plot is super adventurous. (If you want a puzzle solving exercise, have older kids read Splat the Cat readers and see if they can figure out the phonics/reading element emphasized. It'll require close observation because the books aren't labeled for this.) A fun little read for kids learning how to read double letters and of course, those who like zany cat adventures.

L. says

The story was ok, but it seemed to move too quickly to the appearance of the whale in order to have a clever rhyme.

Samantha says

Splat's on a mission to find the perfect shell to bring home to Grandpa so he can hear the sounds of the ocean. In his quest, he accidentally falls into the water, but is lucky enough to be caught by a friendly whale who helps him achieve his goal.

A great summer read for beginning readers.

Misty (Reds Romance Reviews) says

Fun read, had my daycare kiddos giggling throughout!! They love Splat!!

Rosa Cline says

Splat is a cat that gets into adventures with his friend a mouse. In this story he leaves with his family for a trip to the ocean. His grandpa asks him to bring back a shell. So all through the story he goes in search of a shell he can bring back... He gets very frustrated because first he helps his family do various things when they first get there. But then when he does start looking he can't find one that hasn't been broken. He follows a bird that is dropping shells! This is a fun story you and your child will enjoy together as you follow his adventure of how he did find a shell for show and tell and for his Grandpa! This book is also a good "S" book or even at times a tongue twister. A very nice one for beginning readers :)
