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The story of the industrious Little Red Hen is not a new one, but when this particular hen spies a can of tomato sauce in her cupboard and decides to make a pizza, the familiar tale takes on a fresh new twist. Kids will love following along as the hen, with no help from her friends the duck, the dog, and the cat, goes through the steps of making a pizza-shopping for supplies, making the dough, and adding the toppings. But despite their initial resistance, the hen's friends come through in the end and help out in a refreshing and surprising way.

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# **From Reader Review The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza for online ebook**

## **Torrie Wilson says**

This book can be used to teach children about friendships. I love how the hen forgave her friends that did not want to help her make the pizza but still let them have some of it. This book can also be used to introduce more rich vocabulary to students.

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## **Brittaney Ellis says**

Text to self connection

I believe that everyone can relate to this story whether it is something you have been through or how your outlook on the situation would be. For me, I have been in a similar situation. As guardian of a pre-teen and a new wife, I've felt unappreciated several of times. Many may say that is just the life of a wife, but NO! I've been in situations where I had to go to the grocery store to get food, come home from work and cook it, make plates, set aside everyone's lunch, and clean the kitchen. I loved being able to do all the above for my family, however, it would have been nice for someone to offer to lend a hand. Once I displayed my feelings and agitation, my family would ask to contribute to my work load, but only every once in a while. Also, like the little red hen in the story, I always feed the family, even if I am the only one working.

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## **Ashley Lester says**

Text to Text

I love this version of The Little Red Hen written by Philemon Sturges. I read this book to my students and I think since they all love pizza that this is what really caught their attention. The pictures are nice. However, the text connection is very similar to the older version of The Little Red Hen. Just as the hen in the older version is making bread, this hen is making a pizza. This book is also a fairy tale that uses animals as speaking characters just as the other version. I also like how both books teach a lesson about being helpful. Great read.

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## **Yashpreet says**

This is a book about a hen who sets out to make a pizza. During each stage of making the pizza she asks her friends to help, which they decline, until she asks them to share the food with her. Which of course they accept. At the end of the story The Little Red Hen says if they help clean up she will share her pizza with them.

I believe this book is very educational for children. it relates to the topic of healthy eating which is important in the EYFS. It explains how to make a pizza which children can then make in school if they wish and it

enables children to sequence how they made it. Furthermore it relates to an issue they can relate to: sharing and team work.

The repetitive language in the story allows the children to join in making it more interactive and enjoyable for the children.

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### **Sydney Gann says**

After finishing off her bread, the Little Red Hen decides she wants to make a pizza. After consistently turning to her friends for support and help running errands, the Little Red Hen receives none and decides to carry on solo. The Little Red Hen puts a lot of hard work into the pizza, turning to her friends for help eating all of it. Can you guess what they said?

I thought this book was very cute and could be put to practical use in a classroom.

Initially, I thought this book would be one I could use when discussing the task of everyone in group work (to contribute). After reading this book all of the way through, though, I think it would be a great addition to a lesson on expository writing (how to make a pizza).

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### **Christy says**

The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza written by Philemon Sturges and illustrated by Amy Walrod won the 1999 Golden Kite Award for picture book illustrations. This updated version of The Little Red Hen offers bold and creative illustrations that capture children's attention.

Walrod includes playful details in her illustrations such as a Do It Yourself Guide to Sink Installation and Other Things for Hen and Moo-Laa dollar bills with a cow where a president is typically found. These whimsical images create an enjoyable reading experience for children. In the end, Hen finds herself with an enormous pizza that she made completely by herself. Hen decides to share her feast and because of her generosity, the duck, dog and cat clean-up. The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza is a light-hearted version of the original story.

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### **Tara Schloetter says**

This is a spinoff story of the little red hen who bakes bread, where nobody helps yet everybody wants some bread once it is baked. In this book, the little red hen decides to make a pizza and asks the dog, the cat, and the duck for help with some tasks, including finding a pizza pan, flour, mozzarella, pizza dough, and the topping. All the other animals refuse to help each time, yet when the little red hen kindly asks if they wanted any pizza, they all say yes. The ending of the book threw me off when it said, "Then she asked, 'Who will help me do the dishes?' Now can you guess what the duck, the dog, and the cat each said? They each said, 'I will.' 'I will.' 'I will.'" I thought this was a cute ending, and showed that the animals were grateful to the little red hen for the pizza. This book uses repetition, with the little red hen realizing she doesn't have something, asking her friends, her friends saying no, and then she goes to the store to get whatever she is

missing. This repetition creates an easy storyline for many ages of children to follow, and the collage illustrations are fun and silly to look at.

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### **SethRoessner says**

It was ok, at some parts i didn't get it.

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### **Betsy says**

Enh....

I love the sweet justice at the end of the traditional Little Red Hen, and I didn't want those lazy animals profiting. Sure, they do the dishes in this book, but still.

Art is great, though!

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### **Caroline Daniel says**

o Summary: The little red hen is wanting to make a pizza. She asks several of her neighbors and friends if they will help her make it. Every time she needed an ingredient to add to the pizza she asked the duck, the dog, and the cat. Every time she asked for something, they all said no. Whenever her pizza was finally done, she asked them if they would help her eat it and of course they all said yes. At the end she asked them if they will help her clean up and they say yes to that as well.

o Grade level: 2nd

o Appropriate classroom use story time

o Individual students who might benefit from reading anyone can learn from the lesson that it is important to help others around you even if it does not benefit you just like the dog, duck, and cat should have done before the hen asked if they wanted to eat the pizza.

o Small group use: silent reading

o Whole class use: Kids could put on a play. One child would be the hen. Another could be the dog and so on. There could also be a narrator.

o Related books in genre/subject or content area: On goodreads there were other books about pizza that popped up but that is about it.

o Multimedia connections available: there are online stories and videos available

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### **Logan says**

The hen did everything but... the dishes.

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### **Jeffery Worrell says**

I think this book was okay but childish. I would recommend it for people under my age.

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### **Kyleduke says**

this book needs to get good

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### **Miss Pippi the Librarian says**

The Little Red Hen is hungry, so she decides to make a pizza. She continually asks for help from her neighbors (cat, dog, duck), but they are not helpful. She goes to the store a lot for all her needs and then some! When she pulls the giant pizza out of her oven, she needs help eating it. Cat, Dog, and Duck come to eat and they help with the dishes at the end. It's a very wordy book, but a classic tale with a new twist. While sharing the book with preschoolers, I cut out some of the dialogue and text.

2017 storytime theme: pizza

Reviewed from a library copy.

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### **Jermeria Daniel says**

I would use this book as a way to teach children about helping one another and being a friend. This book would be read in the beginning of the school year.

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