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**Bedtime story meets Coachella in this adorable book about a sloth who packs up his pajamas to attends an arena festival for nappers, dozers, and the very best sleepyheads.**

Snuffleford Cuddlebun is a champion sleeper. In fact, she's such a good sleeper that she decides to go to Snoozefest, an arena festival that celebrates sleep. There, she lounges in her hammock while bands like the Nocturnal Nesters and the Quiet Quartet serenade the audience with lullabies. There's warm milk and honey to be had, designer pajamas from Diane von Firstinbed, and no one dares be seen without a baby blanket. But before she knows it, the nuzzling, snuggling, and dreaming are over—and Snuffleford has slept through it all.

This hilariously endearing bedtime story is perfect for anyone who loves sloths, music festivals, and/or cuddles.

## Snoozefest Details

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## From Reader Review Snoozefest for online ebook

### **Samantha Kretschmer says**

This book is adorable and out of the ordinary. The sloth main character is spot on and, aside from a few off moments, the rhyming text is delightful. Adding to the text are the beautiful illustrations. I think this would make a great bedtime read for any little kid.

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### **Amber says**

SLOTHS! Nuff said.

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### **Marika Gillis says**

Imagine a place you might go to listen to all the best bands, visit great vendors, and meet people with the same interests as you. Now imagine that place was a cross between a music festival and a sleep away camp... for sloths. You would be at Snoozefest. "This is the place where the best sleepers go to snore their way through this naptacular show."

Snuffleford Cuddlebun is the sleepiest sloth in Snoozeville and she only interrupts her napping to head to the great NuzzleDome where all the best sleepers in Snoozeville gather. At Snoozeville, there are pj parades, stands for buying posters and t-shirts, bands with names like The Nocturnal Nesters and the Tranquility Trio performing, and, of course, milk and honey to go!

Written by Samantha Berger and illustrated by Kristyna Litten, this book is on the Goodreads list of most anticipated picture books of 2015. This is definitely a clever, fun idea for a children's book. The pictures are cute, and there is a lot happening on each page, maybe a little too much on some pages. One of my absolute favorite things in the world is a rhyming picture book and I did love that this book rhymed. But, some of the rhyming was forced. I will tuck this book away in my mind with other cute rhyming stories that are perfect for bedtime, such as Hibernation Station by Michelle Meadows and If Animals Kissed Goodnight by Ann Whitford Paul. This review was originally posted on my blog Get Your Book On.

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### **The Bougie Twins says**

4.5 stars

Cute, clever book

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### **Nancy says**

Soooo adorable. Love the concert theme. "So soporific". Recommended!

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### **Pamela says**

This is so adorable that I want to pinch its cheeks. It's a) about a sloth who b) goes to a music-festival type event, but for sleeping, where c) they wear designer pyjamas like Dormant Gabbana. So pretty much it's awesome and adorable.

The only thing I didn't like was the rhyming--it felt forced, and in some places just plain didn't work. It would have been much better as straight prose.

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### **Anna DuBose says**

Wow, I'm not sure that I've ever related to a book or a protagonist so much. I strongly identify with the languid, lazy nature of sloths and would LOVE to attend a Snoozefest and sleep for days. If only I could curl up and snooze for a day or seventeen—that would be the life. Alas, I'm human, so I'll stay awake and look for more adorable books like this. Charming illustrations, nice rhymes, sloth protagonist. 10/10 would lazily flip through again.

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### **Garrett says**

Now this is a rock concert I can get behind! No loud crowds pushing you around. No bands who don't know how to turn the darn guitar down and the vocals up. A hammock and blanket. I can get behind a Snoozefest in my town.

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### **Emmaline MacBeath says**

**SUMMARY:** Snuffleford Cuddlebun is a sloth who loves to sleep. She especially looks forward to attending Snuzzlefest. "This is the place where the best sleepers go to snore their way through this spectacular show." She arrives to see many other sleepers with their blankets and pillows in their favorite spots. Snuffleford picks out a hammock, then goes to buy souvenirs. First there is a pajama parade. Then, one sleepy band after another takes the stage and puts the audience to sleep. In the morning, Snuffleford goes home and back to bed.

**ILLUSTRATIONS:** The illustrations were created digitally. They are surprising beautiful for digital work. There is plenty of detail and color and the pictures are soft and cuddly.

**THE GOOD:** This was a delightfully humorous book. It was a sweet parody of a concert festival. The sloth goes, not to stay awake to enjoy the show, but to be put to sleep in the most decadent way. The pajama parade includes designers such as Louis Futon and Alexander McDream. I love how they had booths set up for souvenirs such as from the bands and a Snoozefest t-shirt. She also brings home a souvenir sleep-mask that she puts to use right away. I absolutely loved the nicknames of the attendee's blankets. After reading this story, I desperately wanted to attend my own Snoozefest. It sounds like so much fun!

**THE NOT AS GOOD:** There is some humor in this book that will appeal to adults, but the younger kids will not get, such as the famous designer's sleepy names and the band names. There are also some pretty big words such as soporific.

**AGE RECOMMENDATION:** Ages 3-7

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### **N says**

Pack your fuzzy slippers and don't forget your VIP pass for the hibernating animal's version of a music festival. Spoiler alert: this book contains a completely adorable rosy cheeked sloth and bears clad in "Diane von Firstinbed" designer jammies.

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### **Emmy Groendyke says**

So. Darn. Cute. This book was so adorable and I loved that it rhymed throughout! I'm a big fan of sloths and a big fan of sleeping so this book hit all the right notes for me :) And that the main character's name just happens to sound a bit like Benedict Cumberbatch? EVEN BETTER! A must read!

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### **Matthew Winner says**

Sticking with the pun theme is Snoozefest by Samantha Berger, illustrated by Kristyna Litten. This is published Dial Books for Young Readers. And Samantha has maybe the strongest control of puns from any author I know. And in this case we have a sloth who is going to the Snoozefest, which is big sleeping party? I don't even know how to call it. Picture Woodstock, only the main goal is to get everyone to go to bed. And everyone buys their shirts and gets the stamps brings their blankets and listens to bands that are meant to soothe you to sleep. And it's just really sweet and charming. I feel like what an adorable bedtime book with so many little puns that kids will pick up on, but also that adult readers will just really love. My favorite part, the highlight of this, is the PJ parade. Watch for the names of all the different illustrators (designers) that Samantha has riffed off of on the theme of sleep. So check that out. That's Snoozefest by Samantha Berger.

This review appears on an episode of the "Best Book Ever [this week]" segment of the Let's Get Busy podcast. Check out the original post here: <http://lgbpodcast.blogspot.com/2015/0...>

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### **Tara says**

Snuffleford Cuddlebun has to be the cutest character name ever! Rhymes are easy and fun. I imagine this working best as a nighttime book. I love the festival atmosphere and a band named Chamomile Rage. Fun vocabulary!

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## **Carmen says**

Snuffleford Cuddlebum is a very sleepy sloth. But once a year she makes sure to leave the house in order to attend Snoozefest, a festival for sleepy animals. She takes a shuttle bus to The Nuzzledome, where she gets her hand stamped. She meets other sleepy animals and everyone brings pillows, blankets and pajamas.

*Blankets with nicknames like Knit-Knit and Night-y,  
Lank-Lank and Woobee, and Bah-Bah and Bite-y,  
Softie and Snuggly and Lolly and Didi,  
Pinky and Minky and Gunk-Gunk and Gee-Gee.*

*Some of the blankets are in mint condition.  
Others collectible rare, first edition.  
Some are so old, they're all tattered and torn.  
This sloth has had hers since the day she was born.*

She wanders around the fest buying posters and t-shirts and yummy beverages. As one does.

Then she attends a pajama fashion show and gets designer pajamas for attending.

Then of course, there's a long all-night concert - but instead of energizing rock music, the featured musicians try and put you to sleep.

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Overall, this is a cute and clever book. It's got great puns and great vocabulary (tranquility, soporific), it's told in rhyme (which is always fun), and the illustrations are relatively cute. Perfect for a bedtime book, a parent trying to raise a little fest-kid, or just anyone interested in this cute concept.

Not available in Spanish.

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## **Demi says**

Sloths are in! Very cute, and a great night-time book for the older child, especially when they're fighting going to sleep.

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