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This construction vehicle with an attitude loves every second of his dirty job!

For fans of *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site* and *Steam Train, Dream Train* comes a noisy addition to the hilarious read-aloud series from Kate and Jim McMullan, the popular creators of *I'm Bad!* and *I Stink!*

Clank! Rattle! Bang!

Who's making all that noise?

Backhoe Loader, reporting for duty.

I'm Dirty! Details

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Rebecca Grabill says

The author in me loves the voice and fun and frolic if this book. The kid in me loves the dirt and grime and work in this book. The parent reading aloud loved how much my little guy loved this book. The parent reading aloud does have a little trouble sustaining the energy necessary to read this book well, however. ? This whole series is a hit.

Samantha says

Not quite as good as I Stink!, but still pretty good.

Jazmin says

I'm Dirty! By Kate McMullan and illustrated by Jim McMullan, is a counting book, build with a story. The main character, a backhoe loader, has plenty of attitudes and is on a mission to clean up a lot. This book is for a younger audience like preschool to first grade, because this age group tends to find construction and labor vehicles quite fascinating. In addition, this group is also focusing on learning to count, which this book covers from the numbers one through ten.

Jim McMullan's illustrations are in a realistic cartoon style. The setting and items the backhoe loader had to clean, were realistically drawn. The truck itself is also very realistic when it comes to the body of the truck. However, the eyes in the windshield are what give it a cartoon feeling and adds personality to the backhoe loader. The illustrator also uses lines to symbolize movement, in the dirt and globs draining down for the wet mud. Also, when the truck moves McMullan draws the black outline fuzzy and wobbly.

I enjoyed reading I'm Dirty! By Kate and Jim McMullan. However, I believe they strayed from their mission of being a counting book, and made the majority of the book about the backhoe loader and his journey to clean. Based on a counting book style I give it three stars. While I believe this dirty backhoe loader has a memorable personality and expressions, I do not think enough counting practice was incorporated to practice those skills.

Lynn Davidson says

One of a series, this book is about backhoes from the voice of a backhoe. Great illustrations. It's a fun read for young children.

Tahira Hamilton says

This is a cleaver little book about a crain and his dirty job to clean up an empty park. The crain in this book

cleaverly does ten differnt tasks, counting back words, to get the park cleaned up. While the crain sarts out clean he does not end up that way. The more he cleans up the park the more dirty he becomes untill the park spotless and he, well... you'll have to read to see!

I would use this book in a math lesson to help young students learn to count fowards and back words. After reading this book I would let students draw ten steps to cleaning their room, one on each note card. After they have drawn all their pictures I would then ask the students to count out their pictures in order 1-10. After they have layed the pictures out and counted up to ten I would then let the students in pairs talk about the pictures and then practice counting backwards while pointing to pictures. I could also use this book to help students learn what big peice of machinery do to help people in their work. After reading this book I would let students look up pictures of different construction equipment and come up with two or three facts about the machine they where researching. each student would then show the class their pictues and tell their two or three interesting facts.

Maria Mascalco says

I'm Dirty! by Kate and Jim McMullan is a great counting book that is a great way to introduce counting to children. The book is great because it has the truck picking up different amounts of different objects. For example the truck picks up "6 broken bicycles and 5 burned out barbecues." On the page, there is exactly that amount of bicycles and barbecues which allows children to interact with the book and physically count the amount of the objects making it very easy to learn.

The illustrations are very jumbled on the page which could make it overwhelming for some students, but overall I feel they would be appealing to children to read. The truck is bright and funny looking, which could make this book very appealing to children who enjoy playing with cars.

Miss Sarah says

A backhoeday goes through it's day getting dirty and making noise. toddler and up

Lauren Amanda says

This would be a good book for using sound effects during storytime. I like that the digger has a fun, loud personality. There are a lot of aspects about this book that would be great to make for an interactive storytime.

Jill says

Lots of great noises to make in this one.

Eliot Reads says

Love this book, including the countdown of garbage from 10!

Matt says

Learning about the life of a front-end loader, Neo had the chance to discover all the implements as well as what they can do. The life of a loader is surely not a clean one, but without them, the world would be a much dirtier place. Of course, SOMEONE has to get dirty in the bigger scheme of things. Neo hopes we can see some loaders on our future adventures and promised to check just how dirty they can get.

Shawn says

Wonderfully illustrated. This is a good book about how one machine works plus a counting book in how much that machine can lift. Very clever combination.

Stephanie Weatherly says

My boys loved this book! Cute illustrations accompany the text.

Shelby Miller says

This book could be a great opportunity to help make books appealing to young boys. The middle of the story includes a section focused on counting. I think this is a fun and different book for children to explore. Topics: working machines, machine parts, daily duties, counting, responsibility, pride.

Robert Beveridge says

Kate and Jim McMullen, *I'm Dirty!* (Joanna Cotler Books, 2006)

Another entry in the “kids who love heavy equipment” subgenre. The subject of this quirky little tome is a backhoe loader who's, well, kind of conceited, judging from the first four pages. There's a quick section about counting backwards from ten, then the dirty part kicks in. I was a little jarred by the subtlety of some of the dirt references when juxtaposed with the ones that hit you in the face with a week-old dead haddock, but the pre-lit crowd is probably not going to notice things like that. The Bean liked this one well enough, though it didn't have the staying power of some of our other truck books; he may pick back up on his enthusiasm for it later, though. ** ½
