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# Big Cat, Small Cat



## Synopsis

An interactive, full color book about cats of all sizes, shapes and dispositions, Big Cat, Small Cat introduces children to rhyming and opposites in a fun and engaging way. Big Cat, Small Cat takes readers through a fantastical world of felines, where they will encounter many different pairs of cats "from good and bad to happy and sad. The book's sing-song text leaves out the last word of each page, allowing little ones to chime in and complete the rhyme. Captivating, colorful illustrations provide clues for the words that have been left out. Introducing words like 'dirty,' 'clean,' 'nice,' and 'mean,' Big Cat, Small Cat teaches children about rhyming and opposites with a fun, fill-in-the-blank challenge that encourages participation. The illustrations by accomplished illustrator and cartoonist Ami Rubinger are charming and unique, depicting a variety of humorous cats that will engage young and old readers alike. With its message of acceptance, Big Cat, Small Cat evokes compassion for animals and presents an important lesson in diversity: cats "like people" come in many different shapes, sizes, and personalities. Beyond its wide general appeal, this book will interest children who have pets and all animal lovers.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

Praise for Big Cat, Small Cat "Israeli cartoonist and creator of children's books Rubinger provides full-bleed, computer-generated landscapes in bold colors | this is a good addition to shelves of

concept books." â " Kirkus Reviews "This book about opposites introduces a quirky cast of bug-eyed catsâ |kids should enjoy filling (or shouting) in the answers." â " Publishers Weekly "Whether used as a simple read-a-loud, a game, or an introduction to the concept of opposites, this should please many little ones."â " Booklist "Using an ABCA rhyme scheme, the simple sentences may make this book useful as an early reader." â " School Library Journal "The funny pictures and the fun of filling in the missing words will please little cat lovers while they practice learning a variety of concepts, such as feelings and sizes." â " Reading Today

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I love this book and so does my toddler. The rhyming story is entertaining enough to hold an adult's attention as well as a small child's. I was surprised how quickly my toddler caught on to the rhymes and memorized them. The pictures in the book are so well done, very bright, colorful, and creative. We love this book so much that we've bought copies to give as gifts to friends' children.

Great book! My grandson is 2, he loves his Ami Rubinger books.

My daughter loves to read this book over and over again!! I am not one who reads much but the way she lights up when she tries to read this book makes me want to read another book after reading this one. So perfect for my 3 year old!!!

One of my grand daughters favorite books. I rented it at the library and red it to her there and a crowd of kids gathered around to listen to the story.

This book is a great book for small children. My 2 year old niece can recite the entire thing :D The pictures are fun, and convey the definition of the words. Definately a great book to start children on

loving books early!

My grandchildren LOVED this book! It inspired them to crawl around on the floor and "talk" like kitties! The pages are already "dog eared"! Thanks for the opportunity to share.

My three year old son loves this book. He has it memorized and recites it to his three month old brother.

Review as it appears on my blog: [www.mommywantstoread.blogspot.com](http://www.mommywantstoread.blogspot.com) Can you guess why I requested this from \*Netgalley? Yup, cats. For those who do not know my son is obsessed with cats. I think he almost wishes he were a cat. So I knew that even if he didn't want me to read to him all I would have to do is mention it is a cat book to get him on board the reading train. Big Cat, Small Cat is a fairly simple rhyming book. All different kinds of cats from ones in cages to ones with colds. There was a wonderful twist to this book in that there were blanks in some of the rhymes leaving it up to the child/parent to figure out what type of cat it was. With picture clues and simple rhymes my son got a portion of them. He is not very good at rhyming so some he gave the wrong answer to but it was still close enough. I loved the illustrations and I think my favorite cat was loooong cat. My son didn't have a favorite cause well he loves all cats and he could never pick just one. When I asked him how many stars he said "One hundred!". I then had to explain that 5 was the max. He sighed and told me, "Fine five stars...but mom it is really 100 stars." So there you have it another 5 out of 5 stars! \*I received a free copy of this ebook from Netgalley in exchange for my honest opinion\*\* This book was read with my special needs son who is severely learning disabled. The review reflects not only my opinion but his as well

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