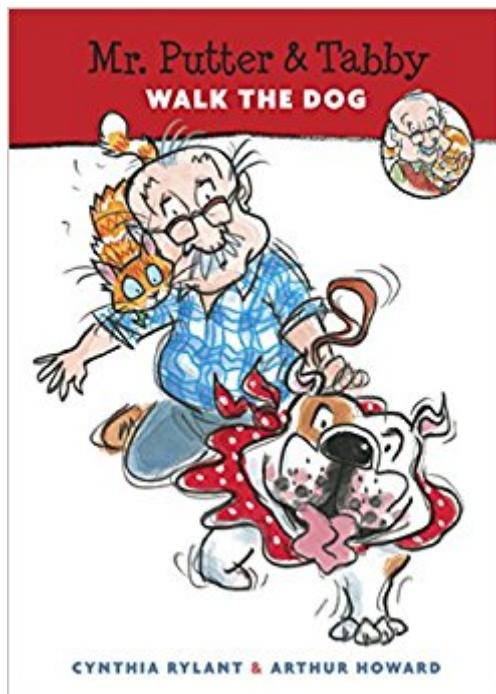


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Mr. Putter & Tabby Walk The Dog



Synopsis

When their neighbor Mrs. Teaberry hurts her foot, Mr. Putter and his fine cat, Tabby, volunteer to walk her dog for a week. They soon discover that Zeke isn't a dream dog after all. He might even be . . . a nightmare! After three days of Zeke's tugging, wrapping around trees, and chasing other dogs, how will Mr. Putter and Tabby make it through the week? Illustrator Arthur Howard captures their humorous predicament in lively watercolor-and-pencil illustrations.

Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 4

Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 2-From a neighborly distance, Zeke seems to be a "dream dog." So, when Mrs. Teaberry, his owner, hurts her foot, her friend Mr. Putter does not hesitate to volunteer to walk him. At the end of a leash, however, the little bulldog is a "nightmare." He tugs, tangles, and chases "big dogs." Mr. Putter, always accompanied by his cat, resorts to bribes of just the sort (ice cream, swimming pools, carnivals, and zoos) that tempt children to good behavior. Mr. Putter at last returns Zeke, and he and Tabby celebrate. This beginning-reader chapter book has a brief text (with a few words readers might have to stretch for), plenty of repetitive phrases, and lots of visual clues. Howard's illustrations are breezy, watercolor-and-pencil cartoons that extend the humor and give comic life to the mischievous canine, the earnest cat, and the hapless humans. Another winner from

âœWatercolor-and-ink pictures squeeze every bit of life and humor out of the stories. Solid fare for easy-reading shelves.â •Booklist

I do not recommend this book for one reason - For dogs, eating chocolate can be deadly. Because the dog had good behavior, the author wrote that he took the dog he was walking to the Frosty Freeze to have a HOT FUDGE sundae with extra cherries. That is a bad thing to teach children, as chocolate can be deadly for dogs. My veterinarian explained this to me when I went for my dog's first checkup.

I've bought numbers of the Mr. Putter books for my granddaughters, and since I identify with him and his neighbor Mrs. Teaberry, I adore reading the books. The stories express gentle care of the neighbors for one another. I read one review critical of the deception the couple exercises in taking their pets on the train. My granddaughter and I, however, read the story from the perspective of old folks enjoying an outing with pets who snooze throughout the ride. I LOVE Mr. Putter's escapades, and think he is a perfect role model for this grandmother!

Great book for a 1st-2nd grader!

My 6-year-old daughter loves these books... They're so colorful and humorous... There's nothing like a child being encouraged to read because the content of the book is so entertaining! We have several in the series and are so happy to have a collection from which she can pick and choose for any occasion. I brought this one on our last vacation (along with Mr. Putter and Tabby Row the Boat) and it was a great addition/distraction while we were away...something fun and familiar to keep her good company... After a while, Mr. Putter, Tabby, Mrs. Teaberry and Zeke all start to feel like family :)

Lovely books for beginning readers.

This series is an enjoyable one and enchants the young child! Well worth seeking out and purchasing!

In general, I love this series. This one is less realistic than some of them. In real life a dog is not going to understand negotiations like this book implies. Also, giving a dog a hot fudge sundae would at best make him sick--and at worst make him really, really sick. But if you can overlook those points it's a fun read and the characters are charming.

Mr. Putter and Tabby books are the best. I just introduced them to my grandson's. They love them too.

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