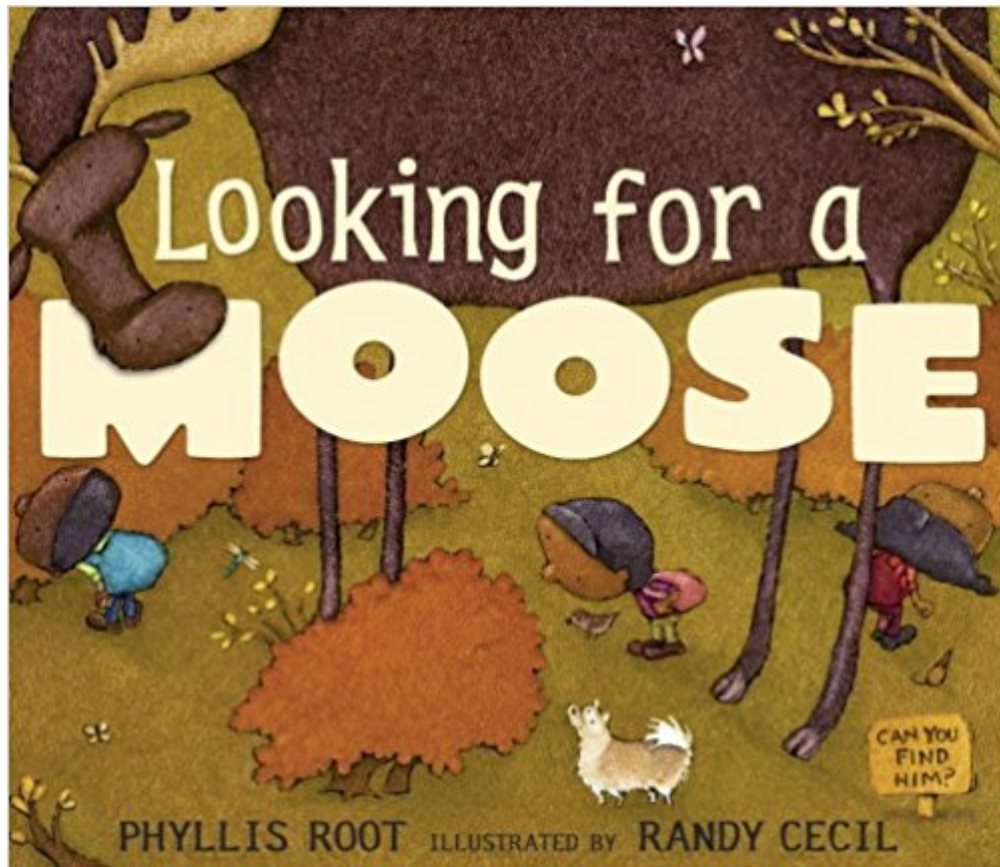




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Looking For A Moose



Synopsis

An ear-tickling, eye-teasing romp for little listeners, led by an award-winning author and illustrator Do you really, really want to see a moose • a long-leggy moose • a branchy-antler, dinner-diving, bulgy-nose moose? Spurred by Phyllis Root's sing-songy text and Randy Cecil's buoyant illustrations, this hunt for an elusive moose through woods, swamps, bushes, and hills is just as fun as the final surprise discovery of moose en masse. Children will laugh at the running visual joke • what is that little dog looking at? • and ask for repeated reads of this satisfying tale.

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Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 1 • Four intrepid youngsters set out to find a moose • a long-leggy • a branchy-antler, dinner-diving, bulgy-nose moose. They've never seen one, but they know what to look for. Their investigations take them through the woods, into the swamp, behind the bushes, and up a rocky hillside before finally reaching their goal. In the end, they find not one moose, but more than they ever imagined. Root's minimalist story bears a strong resemblance to *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, but without the breathless backtracking that makes reading that tale so much fun. The text here is not strict rhyming, but there is a singsong effect that borders on

annoying baby-speak, such as when the children climb the rocky-blocky, lumpy-bumpy, fuzzy-muzzy hillside. Cecil's illustrations, done in oil, have a fuzzy-muzzy look of their own, with evident brushstrokes and earthy, woodsy shades of green, brown, and gray. The perspective of the pictures, leading readers' eyes down, at times gives the impression that the children are themselves being watched by the moose. An animal is in fact hidden in each picture, although many youngsters will need help to spot it. Because of the seek-and-find layout, the book will work better one-to-one than with a group. --Kara Schaff Dean, Needham Public Library, MA Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Root's jaunty wordplay and Cecil's textured, hide-and-seek illustrations make this an engaging romp that will be fun to share with one child or many. In the first double-page spread, an excited-looking little girl asks three other kids if they have seen "a long-leggy moose." This starts the children (and one very alert dog) on a quest that takes them to the woods, a swamp, a clump of bushes, and a rocky hillside. Part of this fun comes from the kids changing costumes--removing and replacing hats, boots, and backpacks, and raising and lowering their pants legs and sleeves. The text appeals to the senses: there's the "squeech squooch! squeech! squooch!" of the "sloppy-gloppy, lily-loppy, slurpy-glurpy swamp." The illustrations, done in oils, keep to forest colors of browns, greens, and oranges as they pull youngsters along until the search ends with the discovery of a whole field of moose, just right for counting. Connie Fletcher Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Maybe it was all of the sleep deprivation, but the first time I ever read this book I mis-read the word bulgy as 'bug-a-ly" each time it was used. I thought it was cute that the author made up such a fun sounding word. Ha to me! Anyway, it just didn't sound the same when I finally came to and realized what I'd been doing (for weeks before I noticed how sad lol) and corrected myself. So we continue to read it purposefully wrong :) Anyway, my son LOVES this book! His room is Moose themed and his lovie is a little moose blanket so when someone gave us this as a gift at my baby shower, I thought if nothing else, at least it would match our theme. Well we've been reading it since he was 4 months old and it still gets a laugh from him each time we finally find the moose at the end. He is only 14 months old but it will be fun to see him enjoy this book in different ways as he grows (older kids can search for the hidden moose images on the pages). Overall we are so pleased I've begun giving this book to friends who are expecting little boys.

Cute story about a group of kids trying to see a Moose. My 2 and 4 year old love this book and have fun finding the hidden moose that the kids in the story miss.

This is such a cute book! I visited my sister in Alaska and we drove all around trying to see a wild moose, but never did. This book shows children looking for a moose by climbing trees, taking hikes, going into a swamp, and more. I bought it for my sister and told her that we were doing it all wrong (trying to find a moose)! She loves the book, too!

We LOVE this book. So fun the first time to read though, even more fun the second time (because you know what to look for!). Also, we love the fact that the children pictured are children of color.

In addition to the delightful story and illustrations, this book creates a wonderful format for problem solving. It has become a favorite book of my 2 year old grand children. They chime in with "Oh, no. Now what?" after each failed attempt at finding the moose. We have added "I know!" before reading the next solution attempted by the crew. Our darling grandchildren now use these phrases as they go about solving the multitude of problems they encounter in their busy lives.

Fantastic book! I love the rhymes and helping kids look for each part of a moose that shows in each book. Always makes the kids giggle. I've used this successfully one on one and in large groups.

This book is adorable! The text is fun to read and story is engaging. As a former kindergarten teacher, I know kids will love it

"It's a funny story" says my six-year-old who was the recipient. He also gave it 5 stars. Now he's walking around reciting bits from it. So I guess he likes it. :)

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