

It's Fun to Read !



TEDDY AND PICTURE BEAR



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Preface

This set of books has been written, not only to educate in English, but also to show that learning can be fun. A child reading a silly story that will bring a smile to his face is more likely to remember the words and lesson than from a more serious, formal book.

Each of the books in the series, *It's Fun to Read* incorporates a wide range of words from the English language. Hopefully, parents and children can also relate to the themes.

For example, how many times have we heard from our children, "I did it by mistake", or had a son or daughter put all manner of objects up their nose? And faced, as parents, the insecurities of the child who has a hard time giving up a favorite object. *The Easter Bunny's Adventure* was written purely from my experience of constantly leaving umbrellas behind on buses--have you ever wondered what the lost and found must be like?

And the Sun did not Shine... was written in memory of a dear nephew who brought so much light to the world that people could not help but feel good whenever he was around. And he did, in the end, get to wear the colour of socks he wanted. This series is dedicated to him--I think he would be pleased to know that even now, he can make people feel happy.

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Jason had two bears. One was Picture Bear. He was the bear in the poster on Jason's wall. Picture Bear wore bright red boots and carried a big blue umbrella. Heart-shaped raindrops fell all around him, but he smiled happily down on all who looked at him. Jason talked to him every night before he went to sleep, telling him of the day's happenings.

Jason's other bear was Teddy. Teddy was soft and cuddly and had slept in Jason's bed for as long as Jason could remember. He was Jason's best friend.



Teddy went everywhere with Jason. In the morning, when Jason went down to breakfast, Teddy would sit in the seat beside him.

“Be sure to eat all your porridge, Teddy,” Jason would say. Somehow, though, Teddy never seemed to finish the bowl.

