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"A rhyming story that is full of laughs. 'The alarm can ring. The birds can peep....Today's the day I'm going to sleep,' says a lazy boy one morning, and despite a pail of icy water, television coverage, and the arrival of the Marines, he vows to stay in bed--and he does! The repetition of concepts and words will keep children turning the pages, as will the energetic drawings. A sure draw for early readers."--*Booklist*.

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ZebraPrintRocks says

My daughter didn't enjoy the book at all - the illustrations on the other hand, did keep her turning the pages. It's a relatable enough book, but I believe the execution left something to be desired. Yes, of course there were rhymes, and that was probably the only thing that kept my daughter engaged reading it.

I was actually surprised how well she sounded out the "places" in the book that were mentioned. But, for a more novice reader, I could see that really getting annoying...oh so many hard words!

As a parent, I didn't appreciate how defiant the little boy was, and he STILL got his way. Yes, yes, I know, sometimes it's just a lazy day --- I like to have those sometimes too, but still, you have to at least get up to go the bathroom at some point right? This was one thing my daughter pointed out too.

This isn't going to be one to that I add to the shelf with our other well-loved Seuss books.

Mohammed Al-Garawi says

This kid is dead.

Pooja says

Come what may!

I am not going to get up today!

Mohsin Maqbool says

Once again a top-notch book by Dr. Seuss and this time with superb illustrations by James Stevenson. It reminded me of my summer holidays in Calcutta when I used to sleep until 10 am or 10:30 am and it used to drive my eldest sibling mad. But the boy in "I am NOT Going to Get Up Today!" beat me at my game by totally refusing to get up.

His mother makes his favourite breakfast comprising of a large boiled egg and takes it to his room on a tray like hotel room service. However, it is no use.

His siblings try every trick in the trade to make him get up, including throwing a bucket of cold water filled with ice cubes. But Big Brother doesn't budge an inch. His pet dog appears shocked too!

The neighbours raise a din, a big brass band plays all around the house and, in fact, the Marines too come marching in. Will the boy wake up now? Will he be able to eat the egg before the story ends? Read the story to find out and read it to your child as s/he will love it.

Kelli says

This lesser known story has to be one of my favorite books by Dr. Seuss. I was thrilled when my son grabbed it from the shelf today. It is a silly story that my children actually quote snippets of from time to time. Who can resist a story about a boy who is adamant about sleeping in? I live vicariously through that kid every time I read this book. I suspect I always will.

Reese says

i read this with my book buddy but the main point is everybody is trying too wake a boy up.

Laura Mincey says

This is a hilarious story told by the classic author Dr. Suess about a little boy who refuses to get out of bed. The book goes on to tell the reasons why the boy would rather stay in bed then get up and eat his breakfast and go to school. It doesn't bother him that the children across the country are getting up and going to school--he's just not getting up for anything! This would be a great read when things in the school year are getting dreary and students are sleepy. After reading this book, students will know that ALL kids have to wake up early in the morning for school and life does in fact, go on.

Karen says

Just a cute, funny book. No deeper message, no made up Seuss-ian words. Just silly.

Lakeyshia Mayo says

Very funny!! Enjoyable!!

Vanessa Esparza says

What I think about this book is that this man does not want to wake up. This man does not want to wake up even when every body tried to wake him up. The first part that happened in the book is that the mans alarm rang and the man did not wake up. When the women came in too give the man breakfeast the women noticed that the man was not awake. When some kids game in the mans room they tried waking the man by making noises. A little boy put ice cubes in a bucket and the little boy splashed the bucket on the man. All the neighbors complained about the man sleeping but the man did not care what the neighbors said. The hole neighborhood tried to make a lot of noises buy banging on some pans. At the end of the story the man never woke up.

Alicia Beaumier says

I am not a huge fan of this book in any shape or form. The book was shocking to me because it isn't like any of the other Dr. suess books. The little boy that refuses to get up is sort of rude about it. He refuses to get up but isn't really nice about it, no matter what his mom and sister did to get him up he still refused. I feel like this is such a negative message to portray to kids. That you can just stay in bed all day no matter what. The illustrations in my opinion aren't very good either there sketched out single lines that aren't strong or connected and the colors are very soft and not very exciting. It was really hard finishing the book because it was hard to finish.

Nenia says

I read this at the library today. It was like seeing myself in a book! I'm like this every day! Hah!

Bionic Jean says

Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American writer, cartoonist and animator, best known to us for his children's books. More than sixty of them were published under his pen name of "*Dr. Seuss*", some of them the most popular children's books of all time. They have sold over 600 million copies and been translated into more than 20 languages. "*Dr. Seuss*" was indeed a phenomenon.

Although he devoted most of his life to writing children's books, "*Dr. Seuss*" had no children of his own, saying, "*You have 'em; I'll entertain 'em.*" He certainly did that. Children everywhere pounce on these little books with their rhymes and humour. As shared or bedtime reading they are a popular choice for American children. As a way of teaching reading they seem rather limited, although great for fun, and reinforcement in reading. My only experience of "*Dr. Seuss*"'s books was listening to reluctant readers enjoying reading a few pages from "*Green Eggs and Ham*" to me occasionally, if it was their choice.

It was time to read one from cover to cover, and I chose **I am Not Going to Get Up Today!** for its challenging title, which is bound to appeal. Although "*Dr. Seuss*" usually illustrated his books himself, this one is illustrated by James Stevenson, in a similar cartoonish style, using line drawings filled in with bright water-colours.

*"Please let me be.
Please go away.
I am NOT going to get up today!"*

This first page indicates the template for the entire book. A little boy lays in bed in the morning, happily oblivious to all attempts to get him up out of bed. His mum tries to get him up with a tempting breakfast tray, then his sister and brother try, and as we follow the story through, the attempts to get him out of bed become increasingly more ludicrous and surreal, with braying donkeys, honking geese and even marching bands.

"Let them try to wake me.

*Let them scream and yowl and yelp.
They can yowl from now till Christmas
but it isn't going to help."*

The little boy imagines all the children all over the world who might be getting up, and this enables the reader to look at some attractive illustrations, as do the humorous scenarios. However, the book is aimed squarely at American children, with mentions of the very difficult to spell "*Memphis, Tennessee ... Massachusetts and Connecticut and Maine*". Elsewhere we have the possibly unfamiliar United States Marines, and a very American cop.

The story-line is amusing, and children will love the repetitiveness, cheeky humour and bright illustrations. The ratio of pictures to text is tempting too; there's not too much to "read". I did feel that the book was a little too long though. It might have had more appeal as a shorter book to be read over again! The joke was extended just that little bit too far. The ending too, was a bit of a damp squib,

*"I guess he really means it.
(view spoiler)*

In fact I assumed my library book must have a page missing!

On the other hand, the book's title will guarantee an audience, and the familiar style and humour of this idiosyncratic author will continue to appeal to little children of about 4 to 8 years old. I can imagine children worldwide hugging themselves with delight as they think of the stubborn little boy in this book.

Archit Ojha says

I can very well imagine my kids reading this book to me and making it their favorites! Because it involves a boy who doesn't like to get up, no matter what!

As usual, Dr. Seuss books are a delight to read and re-read!

Nathan Olson says

Pretty much how I want to live my life everyday
5/5 snoozes ?????
