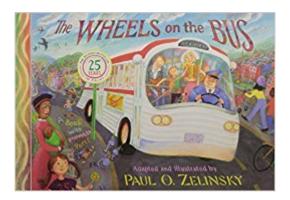


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# The Wheels On The Bus





## Synopsis

The 25th anniversary edition of a beloved classic Over a million young readers have enjoyed the wheels that go round, doors that open and shut, and people who go bumpety-bump. Today it remains as fresh and engaging as when it was first published twenty five years ago. To celebrate the anniversary, Paul O. Zelinsky has created an all-new cover featuring twenty five, hidden 25s. Some are the number 25 and others are 25 of something in the picture. Can you find them all?

## **Book Information**

Hardcover: 16 pages Publisher: Dutton Books for Young Readers; 1st edition (October 30, 1990) Language: English ISBN-10: 0525446443 ISBN-13: 978-0525446446 Product Dimensions: 7.8 x 0.8 x 11.2 inches Shipping Weight: 14.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars 322 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #7,776 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #4 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Science, Nature & How It Works > Heavy Machinery #8 inà Â Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Where We Live > City Life #25 in Â Books > Children's Books > Activities, Crafts & Games > Interactive Adventures Age Range: 3 - 7 years Grade Level: Preschool - 2

#### **Customer Reviews**

"The wheels on the bus go round and round.... All over town." This traditional song, a favorite of children everywhere, is adapted and illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky, winner of the Caldecott Medal for his lush version of Rapunzel, and Caldecott honors for Rumpelstiltskin, Hansel and Gretel, and Swamp Angel. Fantastic paper engineering with movable parts, flaps, and wheels that spin makes this an interactive book that young readers will love to pieces (maybe literally!). Pull one tab to make the "wipers on the bus go swish swish swish," and another to see the "babies on the bus cry Waah! Waah! "On closer inspection, children will be tickled to discover several subtle and humorous subplots, as well as a full-circle finale: the last stop on the bus is at the Overtown public library, where the day's program includes a folk singer. Guess what he's singing! Zelinsky's warm, inviting illustrations are a perfect match for this classic play rhyme. Children who have learned the hand

motions to the song will enjoy helping the characters in the book enact their own roles. The back cover includes the musical notation for "The Wheels on the Bus," so everyone can sing along. (Ages 3 to 7) --Emilie Coulter

In an ingeniously designed, deftly executed lift-the-flap (and pull-the-tab) book, Zelinsky elaborates on the well-known and much-loved children's song. Not only do its wheels go round and round, but the bus here also has doors that open and shut, windshield wipers that move back and forth, and so on. The text consists of the lyrics of the song itself, but Zelinsky has neatly inserted a number of visual subplots that flesh out the story--one involving a boy with a boxful of adventurous kittens, another a motorcyclist and her runaway puppy, a third a young man with a guitar. The music and refrain are included on the back cover, and those unfamiliar with the song may well want to bone up in order to sing the book's praises to the most appropriate tune. Ages 2-8. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.

I have a two year old bus-obsessed son. We discovered this book after receiving a dvd with a version of this book (animated) on it accompanied by a take on the classic "Wheels on the Bus" song. We had to purchase this book to go along with the DVD, and now we don't even use the DVD anymore, as the book is entertainment enough in itself. This book is absolutely excellent. There was a great deal of detail put in to making this book extra special, from the manipulatives such as the door on the bus actually opening and closing to the windows sliding up and down. The book is beautifully constructed and has a lot to explore on each page. It keeps my two year old occupied and is also a great book for us to read together. As soon as I received this book, I reinforced the pull tabs with scotch tape. My two year old is gentle with paper books, but I think that reinforcing it will extend it's lifetime significantly. If it ever breaks or falls apart, I will not hesitate to purchase another one, as it is a household favorite.

I recently purchased this for my five-month old grandson to put in his Easter basket, knowing he was not ready for it but wanting him to have it as part of his collection. It is an exquisitely beautiful book and my daughter and I were mesmerized by it. She did read it to my grandson and we were shocked that he seemed riveted by the illustrations. This book is a work of art and at some point, every child will learn the words to The Wheels on the Bus song, which makes the book even more enjoyable. There is so much going on here. You pull a tab and the door to the bus opens. You pull another tab and the bus driver is moving back and forth asking the riders to "move on back." You

pull a tab and the baby is crying. This may be the kind of book that adults will always want to read to children, especially when children are at that age where they are exploring and it would not be that difficult to rip important parts of the moving pieces in this stunning book. That would not be a drawback for me as I would enjoy reading this book and as the child gets older, you can explain the importance of the tabs and not wanting to rip them off. This is the nature of pop-out books and there are many of them, but this one is very special. I highly recommend this book, even if you think your child is not quite ready for it. You will enjoy it in the meantime.

This was my favorite book when I was younger. I even took it for show and tell in kindergarten. I bought it for my little one. She's only one but loves it. I had to read it three times because she kept pulling it off the shelf. Such a fun book!

I am a paraprofessional. This past year I was in a kindergarten room. The teacher had this book but most of the moving pieces were broken from years of use. I bought this for the classroom. The kids love all the moving pieces and the sing song story.

Absolutely the best! Have bought a number of books for children, but this one is the best have seen yet. Imaginative, fun, clear and easy to understand, great artwork, etc., etc. Absolutely hard to find children's books without something in them that you wish wasn't - but this has none of that. Fun, positive, imaginative, well made, beautiful, etc., etc.

I purchased this book for my one year old granddaughter. I've been singing Wheels on the Bus to her since she was born and she just loves the song. When I saw this book, I thought it would be perfect to have at our house for her visits. She was so excited when I opened the first page of the book and started to sing the words to her. Each page has a clever pull-out or moving part which basically animates the story. I love that the "end of the line" is the library. I would say out of all the books we have at our house for her, this is her favorite. She loves turning the wheels and opening and closing the doors on the bus. I read the one review that said this book is difficult to operate for little hands and takes adult supervision. This is true of this book, but also true of all the pull-out/moving parts books my granddaughter has. This isn't an issue for us because we read the books together and honestly, I'm not really concerned if some of the movable parts get bent or even ripped. That is easily fixed and well worth the joy this book brings to my granddaughter. Our two-year-old loves this book. It is colorful, interactive and fun fun fun. It is one of those gems among children's books that is actually bearable the 500th time you read (or sing) it. The artistry is exceptional -- clever manipulatives and delightful illustrations help bring this classic song to life. You will open the doors, swish the windshield wipers, ssshh the babies, and yes, you will make the wheels go round. Manipulatives are generally lift-the-flap or tab. The material is not very thick, so we also save this book for use with an adult. We have had to tape the wheels back on though, and have lost functionality on one or two pop-ups. Nevertheless, this is a delightful book that will bring smiles to your child -- and not drive \*you\* crazy!

We actually LOVE, love this book, and already had one ourselves. I bought one on for a gift for a friend's child. However the copy that I got on had two pull flaps that didn't work, they were bent, and looked already used. The moving parts (babies on the bus page, and another page) did not work for those pages. I bought another one at a bookstore where I could make sure all the flaps and moving parts weren't damaged.

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