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These chapter books introduce beginning readers to the detective mystery genre. Perfect for the Common Core, kids can problem-solve with Nate, using logical thinking to solve mysteries!

The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and someone is eating the flowers in Nate the Great's garden. A green tortoise is slowly, slowly stepping across the lawn, and Nate is slowly, slowly following him. Where does Nate's green guest truly belong? It may take all of Nate the Great's patience and sharp eyesight to find out slowly.

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From Reader Review Nate the Great and the Tardy Tortoise for online ebook

A. says

This time Nate's customer was the one who was lost. This case was a bit harder than the other ones because his customer could not talk. Nate the Great soon reached a dead end and had to look for clues without anyone's for no one in the neighbourhood recognized his customer. This time his clue was to follow the "U" trail. That was the best part of the story. I think this is one of the best stories of Nate the Great. I loved it!

Chinook says

I adore Nate the Great. And now I want pancakes.

Cristina says

If your looking for an easy book this is the one

Michelle. D. says

Nate the Great books aren't that great. I hated them when I was a kid, yet I would always read them. The endings of the books were always the same, they figured out what or who did it. And where are Nate's parents? They just let their son walk around everywhere and question people. That is very irresponsible of them. Nate the Great books always made me fall asleep and always wasted my time. I would not recommend this book to anyone, especially little kids. If kids want real mystery, they should read Sherlock Homes.

Madison says

This book Nate the Great and the Tardy Tortoise was a great read. I picked this book because I wanted to have a Nate The Great book in my collection. I thought that this book was going to be a bit longer than it was, but it was actually considered to be a pretty short chapter book. I loved the life lessons that it taught.

Anastasia Tuckness says

This classic holds up--I was amused and intrigued all the way through.

Sophib says

My daughter Chloe age 7 loved it!

Zy156903220 says

A good book for to know something about tortoise. Nate is truly clever!

Alex says

I did not like this book because I do not like tortoises. I enjoyed this book because I like mysteries. I also enjoyed this book because I liked the part when Nate the Great found the tardy tortoise's home. He found it by following the trail of bite-marks on flowers.

Jeana Wert says

Nate the Great and The Tardy Tortoise consists of a young boy named Nate that had found a tortoise in his yard eating his flowers. Nate decided to help the tortoise find his home, so he went to his friends houses, the vets, and a reptile vet to look. He could not find its home. Finally he decided to investigate the bitten flowers next to his house to follow the trail back to its home. He found the tortoise's home and decided to come and visit the next day.

Seth says

Nate the great didn't have a case. He looked in his garden and noticed a tortoise in it. "He looked at it for a little bit and he picked it up and started asking the people next door if the tortoise was theirs."

Melinda Christensen says

Nate saw a turtle in his yard that was eating his flowers. He was afraid the turtle would eat all the flowers, so he had to find out where it lived. Nate visited his friends, but no one was missing a turtle. How would he solve this case? Finally Nate decided to follow bite marks on flowers which the turtle had eaten. Where would this trail lead him? Follow Nate the Great and the cases he solves!

Mercedes Todd says

This book is about Nate and his dog Sludge and a tortoise. In the beginning Nate woke up and looked outside

at his flowers. He saw a tortoise eating his plants. He rushed outside to stop the tortoise from eating all his flowers. The tortoise was moving very slowly. He was taking his time eating some of all the different flowers. Nate felt the tortoise was lost. So he decided to help find the tortoise's home. First he took him to his friend Rosamond's house. He asked her if she knew of anyone who lost a pet. She said Claude lost something. She did not know what he lost. Next Nate went to Claude's house. He said he did not lose a tortoise but he lost a sock. He asked Nate to find it. First Nate wanted to find the tortoise's home. Nate decided to take a break. He went home and ate his favorite food. Pancakes. He sat and ate and thought about the tortoise. Next Nate decided to go to the vet. Maybe the vet would know who the tortoise belonged to quicker. The vet said that she did not know who the tortoise belonged to either. Nate decided to go back home and trace the tortoise's steps. He followed the trail and found the tortoise's home. Nate returned the tortoise's owner who was a very nice lady. The tortoise had escaped under the fence again. He had escaped before as well. It was a funny story.

Sarah Adamson says

This is a delightful book starring Nate the Great. He discovers a tortoise in his garden and decides to track down his home. Beautiful pictures, great easy language. Fun!

Gaby Roman says

This book had great illustrations. I would use this book as a small group activity. I could have the kids listen to it on a tape and have them do a flip book with different parts such as :their favorite character, the setting, the author, and problem and draw a picture of each.
