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Hold on to your hats for the conclusion of the celebrated hat trilogy by Caldecott Medalist Jon Klassen, who gives his deadpan finale a surprising new twist.

Two turtles have found a hat. The hat looks good on both of them. But there are two turtles. And there is only one hat. . . . Evoking hilarity and sympathy, the shifting eyes tell the tale in this brilliantly paced story in three parts, highlighting Jon Klassen's visual comedy and deceptive simplicity. The delicious buildup takes an unexpected turn that is sure to please loyal fans and newcomers alike.

We Found A Hat Details

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Estée Lalonde says

Cute af.

Mischenko says

We read "We Found a Hat" in 2016 and I was amazed at how much children loved his turtle illustrations. They're so simple and can be recreated on paper by very young children.

We love Jon Klassen's illustrations and stories. I love to see children inspired by books like these. They're unique, simple, and wonderful.

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Yen-Tzu says

This is a children's picture book about two turtles who come across a hat. They both look good in the hat, but the complex maths involved in dividing one hat between two turtles creates a resource scarcity dilemma that could end in betrayal.

This tale serves as a beautiful and stark illustration of every human confrontation ever, from family squabble to global war, since the dawn of mankind.

Anna Smithberger says

Such a sweet ending to this trilogy of sorts, but with significantly less murder than I was expecting.

Jessica says

Shockingly sweet . . . I fully expected the turtles to turn murderous, but it went in a very different direction! A lovely ending to Klassen's "hat" trilogy!

Hilary says

2.5 stars. Good artwork, really cute turtles, lovely colours. We found the text quite boring.

Library copy

Ronyell says

I have to say that this was the year that Jon Klassen's "Hat" series has really amazed me and I was lucky enough to read all of Jon Klassen's "Hat" books all at once! Jon Klassen's newest "Hat" book "We Found a Hat" is actually an interesting departure from the usual antics of the "Hat" series that made me chuckle along the way!

The story starts off with two turtles finding a hat and when they both tried the hat on, the both looked good in it. Unfortunately, there is only one hat and only one of the turtles can have the hat.

How will the two turtles solve this problem?

Read this book to find out!

Ever since I had read "I Want My Hat Back," I continued reading Jon Klassen's books and even though "We Found a Hat" was not as dark as Jon Klassen's previous works regarding the "Hat" series, I still found myself enjoying this unique spin on the importance of sharing! I loved the fact that Jon Klassen made this story much lighter in tone than his previous works as it made the book quite unique in the "Hat" series and I loved how this book does not focus on stealing (although a couple of scenes depicted one of the turtles nearly doing it), but focuses on the dilemma that the two turtles face in having to figure out who will get the hat. I was also chuckling to myself when I saw the scenes where one of the turtles was planning on taking the hat and you can see the turtle sneaking up on the hat while the other turtle's attention was away, as it was hilarious to look at and it shows that despite being lighter in tone than the previous books, it still has the same deadpan humor that was relevant in the previous books. Jon Klassen's artwork is as usual deadpan yet comedic as most of the colorings of the artwork are in brown, white and black, which gives off a somewhat mundane feel to the story. I also love the images of the turtles themselves as they are extremely cute to look at with their small bodies and large and narrow eyes!

Overall, "We Found a Hat" is a brilliant subversion to Jon Klassen's previous "Hat" books that fans will take delight in and anyone who enjoyed reading "I Want My Hat Back" will surely enjoy this book!

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Beth says

I will refrain from writing a review so as not to spoil anything. It's not like I need to convince you to read it anyway, right? :)

Joshua Whiting says

I think I need to read this book every night for the rest of my life, and eventually perhaps the mysteries of the universe and the human condition will be revealed to me. I'll start by reading it to my kids tonight and seeing what they say.

David Schaafsma says

Each year I and my family read and rate all the Goodreads picture book nominees. This one is nominated for 2016. I make a few comments and then add their separate ratings and a comment from each of them. There's 20 (15 first round and 5 new ones for the semi-final round) and this is the fifteenth being rated. My rating might be somewhat influenced by the family, naturally. This one is unique in that it is the only one of the 20 I had read well in advance of the award process. And so I will honor my collective sense of this book as not as good as the first two and knock my own personal rating to 4 stars! Because maybe they (and GR friend Martyn) have talked me out of my rave.

Dave's October 16, 2016:

5 Stars. Yay, yet another hat book from Jon Klaasen, the third in a kind of trilogy! This one is in three parts, which is unusual for a picturebook. Two turtles find a hat. One hat. They decide to leave it so no one will NOT have a hat. But turtle # 1 seems to REALLY want it. It would appear that #1 will, when the other one is asleep, finally take it, but. . . #2 shares a dream he has about their both having hats. Though there are not two hats. So the ending is either just strange, weird, or it has mystery about it. I say the latter.

Most kid books have clear "morals." This one could be about friendship and sharing. It could be about how we must deal with a world of diminishing resources. And maybe it is about these things, or could be. I think it is just a little refreshingly off center, with some admission of longing and jealousy in it. And magic, with wonderful drawings. Check out Klaasen! Read everything he does! Lovely.

Tara (my wife): 3 stars. Not as good as his other books.

Harry (11): 3 stars. The turtles are fighting to get the hat back.

Hank (10): 2 1/2 stars.

Lyra (9): 4 stars. I like how one turtle wants the hat without sharing.

Becky says

First sentence: We found a hat. We found it together. But there is only one hat. And there are two of us.

Premise/plot: Jon Klassen is very, very, very, very, very popular. But he has a very, very, very, very, very odd sense of humor. This is the third 'hat' book. (Three picture books with 'hat' in the title. But different characters, different hats, as far as I can recall.) This picture book is about what happens when two very good friends want the same hat.

My thoughts: Well, I'll be honest. I read it three or four times through and the confusion hasn't left me. I could pretend that I "get" this book. I could join in with those saying that it's oh-so-wonderful and one of the best books ever. I could use the excuse that I don't want to spoil the book for anyone else by talking about it.

Or the excuse that it was so good it left me speechless. But I won't. I don't think that you should have to read a picture book a dozen times to "get" the brilliance of the 'twist' ending. The other two books were odd but understandable. This one? Not so much.

Elizabeth Willis says

Absolute perfection. In this book you'll find: a hat, cacti, friendship, side-eye, dreaming, turtles in space.

Rana Heshmati says

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Erica says

I have an unreasonable amount of love for this simple story.

It started on the first two pages.

And I loved it all the way through to the end.

Also, this is the mascot of my mind, representing the bulk of my feelings: side-eyes and plotting.

Danielle says

Genius in style and in substance (and in shifty eyes). A million stars.
