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It's raining again and Tovi and his friends decide to take a trip to get away from the bad weather. How about going to London? Will they have a good time? Let's find out ...

Tovi books are designed in a simple animated way to give young readers the impression of watching a short film where Tovi and his friends play out their adventures.

The books are aimed at children aged 2-6, who hopefully will join Tovi in his mini-adventures, and learn something about life and the world around them. As the lovable characters in these books share a whole range of experiences, they learn about sharing, about helping each other, and most important...

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Ian Wood says

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Note that I don't really do stars. To me a book is either worth reading or it isn't. I can't rate it three-fifths worth reading! The only reason I've relented and started putting stars up there is to credit the good ones, which were being unfairly uncredited. So, all you'll ever see from me is a five-star or a one-star (since no stars isn't a rating, unfortunately).

Another in a series, the first of which (at least the first one I read!) I reviewed here. I wasn't that impressed with Tovi going camping. I was more impressed with this one.

It's raining in Tovi's neighborhood, so in order to get away from it, they decide to go to London. What? I admit that the weather has typically been nice whenever I've visited London, no fog or rain to speak of, but England isn't exactly known for being arid, so I'm not sure this was a charmed plan, quite frankly! But hey, it's penguins. Maybe penguin logic is rather different from ours.

I love the illustrations in this volume. The penguins are far too cute for their own good. Guess what? When they get to London, it's raining! But they press on anyway, as penguins are wont to do in situations like this. They visit the London Eye, and Tower Bridge (and yes, they get the name right - it's often mistakenly called London Bridge, but it's named after the Tower of London which sits next door. London Bridge is actually in Arizona as it happens....

They visit Big Ben tower, but they evidently don't actually see Big Ben, which is the bell ensconced within the tower. They only see the tower itself which is typically misnamed 'Big Ben'. They manage to visit the place and then take "the tube" to Heathrow where they have a quick cuppa before heading home where the sun is shining. Great trip! I recommend this one.

Patricia says

I won this book through a GoodReads giveaway. I have to say my girls (2 and 4) absolutely love this book! My 4 year old loves reading books and as soon as I opened the envelope we had to read it 3 times.

What I love about the book was how different it was from others, in the sense that it teaches children about an actual place, not a fictitious one. I never really thought to teach my girls about anywhere outside of pur state (soon I would have) however this book does it in such a way that had my daughter not only interested in where Tavo and his friends were going but the actual physical places they were visiting!

I most certainly will be ordering more of Tavo's adventures to share with my girls. Thank you so much, what a great win!

Molly says

I won this book through a Goodreads giveaway.

I had entered to win this with the intent of passing this on to my cousins' adorable baby, but I made the mistake of showing it to my mother, a lifelong Anglophile, and she's now claimed it as her own!

The illustrations are very appealing. I love the evocative greyscale illustrations of the London sights - the images do feel enveloped in rainclouds and fog, and Tovi is just too cute!

The text is pretty simple and doesn't have much of a story, but your toddler may come away with some new travel-related vocabulary :)

Linda Todd says

Wonderful wee story we all loved to read together and my kids loved the pictures to go with the story they were fun. My thanks to the author for the pleasure of reading this amazing wee story I would be delighted to recommend this book to my friends so to all happy reading from wee me. xxxxxx

Adria Cimino says

Wonderful book... My daughter loves Tovi and I love reading these charming beautiful books with her. We want to read the whole series!

Regina L says

It's a rainy day and Tovi the Penguin and his friends decide to escape the rainy and head to London. Apparently the 3 have never heard the expression "foggy London town", and are disappointed to see that it's raining in London too! Fortunately, they are the type of penguins who make the best of things! They hop in a cab and explore the city, including The London Eye, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and cruise in The Tube. Of course, a visit to London is not complete without a spot of tea!

The illustrations by author Janina Rossiter show the backdrop of London in a grayscale, shadowy image, which is very creative. I have been to London, and it has rained, and I can speak from experience that that is exactly the foggy, dark image you see of these big, beautiful sights, looking more powerful and significant in the storm, looming in the distance. As a parent, I laughed out loud when I saw the illustration of Tovi facetimeing his friends on his phone to ask them to come over! (Even penguins are hip and using this great technology!) As for Dolly, there is nothing she likes more than a good seek-and-find, so she loved looking for the little ladybug that accompanied the penguins on their London adventure! The final page also suggests other hidden images for your child to search for throughout the book!

This is an adorable book, written by a mother to her daughter. It's a nice introduction to the city of London and its major sights, while also teaching important lessons like making the best of situations with your friends, learning to appreciate and have fun in the rain, and the power of traveling and exploring, which I

hope are all things Dolly will learn and do! Special thanks to author Janina for the sticky notes! Read more at www.diapers-and-daydreams.com !

Janet says

My 3 yr old grandson had me read this book 2 him and then he took it and read me the story in his version and what he could remember by looking at the illustrations:) He and his baby brother will be reading this book many times over in the future.
Great story and nicely done illustrations .

N.N. Light says

I'm a big fan of the Tovi the Penguin series and in this installment, Tovi and his friends are travelling to London to escape the rain. However, it's raining in London as well. So they try to make the best of it instead of wallowing in disappointment. A lovely book and a good message. Highly recommend!

My Rating: 5 stars

Katherine says

Tovi and his friends want to get out of the rain. Smart penguins. The decision to go to London does not get them out of the rain, but it does take them on another adventure. Janina Rossiter, does a fantastic job as the author and illustrator of Tovi, the Penguin Goes to London. The illustrations are so indicative of “foggy London town” with its gray and blue colors. The written depiction of the rain and the places and things they see paint a picture perfect for a young child’s mind. The two things combine to put your child into the Tovi and friends adventure with her descriptions and her great illustrations of the well-known places from the red bus to the Tower Bridge.

Children will love to pour (pun intended) through the pages looking for so many wonderful discoveries – especially the little ladybug who accompanies them on their trip. You will love the look of delight on your children’s face as they discover more and more exciting things on each page, from the always present ladybug to the little earthworm.

Learning about a new city is not the only experience that Ms. Rossiter has in store for her excited readers – they also learn about the culture (transportation, tea, a little history and friendship. Another satisfying ending to another great book in the series.

Janina Rossiter loves three things: design, France and her little family.

She has lived in Germany, England and now France. From her background in design and illustration and the arrival of her daughter, the natural progression was to become an illustrator and writer for children. Be sure to watch her, she will become a force in children’s literature.

Ann says

My granddaughter read this to me and told me that she liked it very much. She liked that they found lots of fun things to do and they didn't mind the rain at all.

Medeia Sharif says

Tovi and his friends are tired of the rain, so they decide to go on a trip to London. But it rains there too! With an umbrella in hand and dry time in the Tube, they do get to go on an adventure and see tourist attractions. Children are sure to love this illustrated tour of London with this group of penguins.

Maggie says

I received this book for free through Goodreads First Reads.

It's raining! So Tovi the Penguin calls his friends and together they plan a trip to London. This is a sweetly simple story with wonderfully unique illustrations about a sightseeing visit to a place Tovi has never been before. Kids will happily travel throughout London with Tovi and his friends. They'll learn about typical London weather, modes of transportation, and various tourist attractions around the city...and they'll love locating the little red ladybug on each page of the book. Parents will want to show children real pictures (online) of the points of interest depicted in the story after its reading. This little book is a treasure!

Barbara Ann says

Part of the Tovi the Penguin series of picture books. In this tale, Tovi can't decide what to do on a rainy day, so he calls his penguin friends over. They decide to take a trip to London. Of course it is raining there also, but that does not deter the fearless penguins from exploring famous landmarks like Big Ben, The Tower Bridge, Buckingham Palace via a double-decker bus and the tube. Simple illustrations done in grayscale and color will really appeal to toddlers and preschoolers.

This is a delightful, beautifully illustrated book with a simple story that will delight young children and give them a taste of the sites of London. Highly recommended for children ages two through five.

Jennie Goutet says

Love this series. This book has lots of the tourist attractions in London and is a totally cute read for young kids.

Kelly Knapp says

First rate story for toddlers through Kindergarden. Loved the way the rain played its part but didn't drown the characters' enthusiasm. My daughter, who is a teacher, read the book as well. She noticed the ladybug

Will look forward to more Tovi stories!
