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Everybody sing along—because it's time to do-si-do in the barnyard with a high-spirited animal crew! From Boynton on Board, the bestselling series of board books, here is BARNYARD DANCE, with Sandra Boynton's twirling pigs, fiddle-playing cows, and other unforgettable animals. Extra-big, extra-fat, and extra-fun, BARNYARD DANCE features lively rhyming text and a die-cut cover that reveals the wacky characters inside. Guaranteed to get kids and adults stomping their feet. The "Barnyard Dance! song, performed by John Stey, is available for download. For ages 0-4.

Barnyard Dance Details

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From Reader Review Barnyard Dance for online ebook

Adrian says

3/7/2011:

This book was your very first favorite book! Your dad and I decided that you probably liked it because of the rhythm and you could follow and bounce along to it. For several months, this was required daily reading.

As you got older, you started pointing at the animals.

By the time this one fell out of the daily required reading regimen, the top part of the cover was torn and folded. However, you'd be hardpressed to find a book that was better-loved for teething.

Alexandria says

An adorable board book that is more entertaining if read in a rhythmic tone. The barnyard animals are having a dance using a majority of the normal movements of the animals. This adorable book is not only a good way to teach your child about animals but about the sounds that they make as well. The illustrations are simple and fun to look at because the animals on each page are busy doing their dances.

Elizabeth Rose says

This book would only be better if it was a barnyard dance with baby farm animals.

Kristine says

My son looooved this when he was 2! Great memories.

sheba says

indio loves this book and can't get enough of emil's country singing. makes you want to get up and square dance!

Bryce says

Sandra Boynton is a master at getting people physically involved in reading her books. (Literally) - these are just great fun to act out as you read them to your kids. Laughter is pretty much guaranteed. I think this is the best of the Boynton books, and I have them all.

Jon(athan) Nakapalau says

I love anything Sandra Boynton has done...nice 'break' from some of the 'heavy' books I am reading.

Kim says

If you are not reading this with a southern accent and a country western cadence, you need to hang up your kiddy lit! Great little book for kids - I had so much fun reading it to my kids when they were little. Heard someone on a plane recently reading it to her young son, and I wanted to grab it and give it the umph it deserves. But I resisted - all part of growing up I guess...

June says

Looks like a lot of fun for a toddler story time. Wish I had seen this for my last Lap Time program. 9/25/12

Worked quite well at Lap Time. I used it again in Story Time- since I had a younger crowd and had the children\toddlers stand up and act it out, which was a grand success. 9/18/13

Used again for both Lap Time and Story Time and then played the song from the Rhinoceros Tap: 15 Seriously Silly Songs CD.

Robert Beveridge says

Sandra Boynton, **Barnyard Dance!** (Workman Publishing, 1993)

More fun, musically-inclined Boynton, though there's a piece or two of this where the rhythm is such that you might not get it on the first try unless you're familiar with the two-step—might want to give it a quick read-over yourself before launching into it with the kiddies. But like everything Boynton puts out, it's fun, engaging, stands up to repeated readings, and you'll enjoy it as much as the kids do. *** ½

Drew Graham says

All the barnyard animals gather for a dance party! Because they do!

Another fun frolic from Sandra Boynton, the master of rhythm and rhyme and toddler appeal. What else is there to say? (Except that this one isn't from our personal collection -- thanks, Nana's house.)

Megan says

Anyone familiar with Boynton's books will recognize the animals here doing various dance steps. The great thing about Boynton's books are that the animals are easily recognizable from book to book for the kids, but she can make subtle changes in their expressions which make adults smile as well. (Check out the look on the sheep's face as he has to "twirl with the pig".) Once you are fairly familiar with this book (which won't take long because your little one will want to hear it over and over again), it will be fun to act out with your child. Spinning, bowing, strutting--you'll get a workout!

Jen says

Having read this book again...I'm stunned again by its poignancy. The cows...why do they dance? It keeps me up at night--which is probably not the point of the book.

However, as in most books, I am faced with a glaring lack of citations. I have no way of knowing if there is actually a dance in the barnyard. The author uses NO footnotes, endnotes, or even a bibliography. Her "proof" is some crude drawings, that can not have been taken from life. We're supposed to just accept her assertions that there is some sort of ancient bowing ritual going on in the barnyard. And as a historian, I just cannot without a valid primary source documentation.

Although I enjoyed the book, the omission of any careful research lost it that final star.

Lstirl says

STOMP YOUR FEET! CLAP YOUR HANDS! EVERYBODY READY FOR A BARNYARD DANCE!
And dance is just what every parent and child will want to do after exploring this book.

This book is complete in its ability to delight both parents and adults. The fun, comical illustrations are brightly colored and easy to recognize and are simply delightful. The book's language is heavy with engaging rhythm and catchy rhyme. There is just enough text on each page to keep very young children from getting bored while still having enough to move the story along.

The book also invites children to go a step further and stomp their own hands and clap their own feet so those that might have difficulty sitting to enjoy a story will still find a way to stay engaged. Furthermore, the repetitive sound effects are fun to replay while reading the story. This book manages to stay simple and brief while still having enough content and fun for both kids and adults. ~Leslie Stirling

Sandra Boynton has a knack for creating baby books with bounce. Her Barnyard Dance! Is a true romp of a board book, with cartoon farm animals that are wacky enough to make you laugh out loud, and rhymes clever enough to sustain those nearly infinite re-readings: "Stand with the donkey / Slide with the sheep / Scramble with the little chicks - cheep cheep cheep!" Now, here's a woman who really knows how to use an active verb. -- Parents, June 1994

I agree with this review completely. This book manages to appeal to even the shortest attention span with its

active verbage and clever rhymes.

The popular illustrator and greeting-card artist brings oddball humor and plenty of sassy energy to Boynton on Board, a quartet of concept board books. Each volume features a die-cut front cover framing a picture of its ebullient cartoon stars. A zany sensibility gives an extra bounce to the otherwise conventional counting book One, Two, Three! A similar silliness suffuses Dinosaurs , which explores opposites. In Barnyard , farm animals dance a boisterous, breathless, knee-slapping reel called, with great panache, by a fiddle-playing cow: ``Bow to the horse. / Bow to the cow. / Twirl with the pig if you know how." The rowdy crew in Monsters bursts in upon a mild-mannered hippo and makes ``the mess that monsters make," but returns to make amends. Fresh and buoyant, these books are good, clean fun. Ages 1-4. (Publishers Weekly)

Again, I agree with this review completely. Fresh, buoyant and good clean fun are exactly how I would describe this board book.

Kathryn says

Fun! My little one seems to really enjoy this one and I like reading aloud in a bit of a sing-song way like I'm calling a barn dance ;-)
