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Mercy loves nothing more than a ride in the convertible, with the wind tickling her ears and the sun on her snout. But one day the Watsons' elderly neighbor Baby Lincoln pops up in the backseat in hopes of some "folly and adventure" — and in the chaos that ensues, an exuberant Mercy ends up behind the wheel!

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## **From Reader Review Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride for online ebook**

### **L11\_Ryanne Szydlik says**

I have been wanting to read Mercy Watson for some time. I adore all of Kate DiCamillo's books and cherish the lessons each book teaches its reader. This book was such a pleasant surprise. Mercy Watson was hysterical in both the writing and the illustrations. I laughed out loud many times while reading. How could you not laugh about an older couple who truly adores a pig with a mind of its own, a man who's driving is so hazardous because he feels no one should look behind them but always be looking forward to the future (which makes backing out of the driveway dangerous), and one very busybody of a neighbor who do not like Mercy AT all!

This is one of several Mercy books that will delight young readers with it's simple, yet comical plot. In this adventure, Mercy and Mr. Watson are taking their Saturday drive as usual. Now take their typical Saturday drive and mix in a runaway defiant neighbor, a pig who decides to drive, and a police officer who can't remember all the rules! It's a recipe for disaster.

Watch as Mercy makes a normal day an extra exciting day!

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### **Dayna says**

This was a FUN read. The writing was certainly on level for a 6-8 year old. I read it aloud to my 4 year old. She was captivated by the story and I must admit the writing sucked me in too. I found myself wanting to keep turning the pages and sailing through the chapters to see what was going to happen. The characters were interesting and well put together - unlike some of the other characters we have come to meet in early chapter books (who tend to be one dimensional). We had a great time making up voices. The illustrations were bright and fun and really added to the story. We will definitely be reading the rest of this series.

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### **Eileen W says**

These Mercy Watson books are all fun. Love the senior ladies who live next door - Eugenia and "Baby" Lincoln. And Police Officer Tomilello. Love how every book ends with Mrs. Watson making Mercy's favorite treat for all present... hot toast "with a great deal of butter." These are simply fun and wholesome books!

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### **midnightfaerie says**

A book my 6 yr old loved, a little old for my preschoolers. A solid reading level 3 book, this reader has a good amount of advanced vocabulary words, but not so long that it discourages a new reader. Used it for his read out loud book, which was perfect. It took about 20 mins for him to read and had just enough new vocabulary words to make it challenging. Also, it was a fun and interesting story he could get into. He liked

it so much, he asked for more by this author. Great reading book!

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### **Steve Holden says**

This series was recently on a great sale and I purchased all for my room! I read the second one today, and I feel it follows up the first in a positive way. I love the illustrations and style of this one by Kate DiCamillo, a favorite author of mine. This will be a great addition to our library and I hope my incoming students will enjoy these books as much as I am getting caught up on the works of one of the best current children's authors.

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### **Anya Gupta says**

I liked it when Mercy eats a butter sandwitch.

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### **Talia says**

Mercy Watson further exercises a lack of impulse control and drives a car. This was a cute enough story, and I love the Lincoln sisters, but I wasn't thrilled about my son's newly piqued interest in which pedal is the gas and which is the brake. Ugh, thanks, Mercy.

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### **Sierra Abrams says**

so cute!!

also: can you tell what i've been spending all my time doing? working. i'm a nanny. but at least i love my job, right?

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### **Abbey says**

One of the best aspects of the Mercy Watson books are the illustrations and the clipped sentences. The combination makes these books hilarious! In one scene, where Mercy is happily driving the convertible, we read a sentence about Mr. Watson not being able to feel his legs from the pig on his lap. This is the stuff of out loud laughs in children's books!

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### **Amy says**

I enjoyed all of the Mercy Watson series, as did my just turned 7 year old daughter. I liked DiCamillo's witty story and the illustrations that further bring it to life. I highly recommend reading the stories in order as the characters from the earlier books are used throughout the series.

My daughter enjoys reading these books to herself and out loud to me. They fill the gap between traditional early readers and early chapter books. These books are chapters books, however, the vocabulary is not overly complex nor too simple. These are confidence building books for children who are bored with traditional early readers, what to read chapter books, like some of their peers, but are not quite ready to take that leap. They are enjoyable, fast pace books that are delightful to read out loud or to yourself.

Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride is a delightful story about a father and his pig taking their weekly Saturday drive. This, however, is no ordinary weekly drive.

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### **Leah Jay says**

This series is so cute! If you haven't read it yet,  
well, you should!

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### **Audrey Robledo says**

It was not very funny.

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### **Mrs. Krajewski says**

My family is officially a Mercy Watson fan! On to #3!

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### **Calista says**

What a fun beginning reader story this was. Mercy is such a fun character and the story is so zany. I mean it is pure fun. Obviously, Mercy goes for a ride in a pink convertible with Mr. Watson and that pig wants to drive. Mrs. Watson is still fixing buttered toast and the neighbors are still quirky.

Kate is able to take a simple and interesting story and reveal the fun of it into this different level. These are marvelous stories about a pig. I enjoy these and the kids enjoy these too. I'll finish off this series for sure.

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### **Montague says**

This book was about a man and a pig and a car. The pig wanted to drive the car and it wanted to have toast. It likes toast. It drove the car and it had toast and they said not to drive the car. I liked that it got toast when it was in trouble and toast was the pig's treat. I didn't like that the people next door hated them. This book was funny because it have a treat when it was bad. (age 7)

