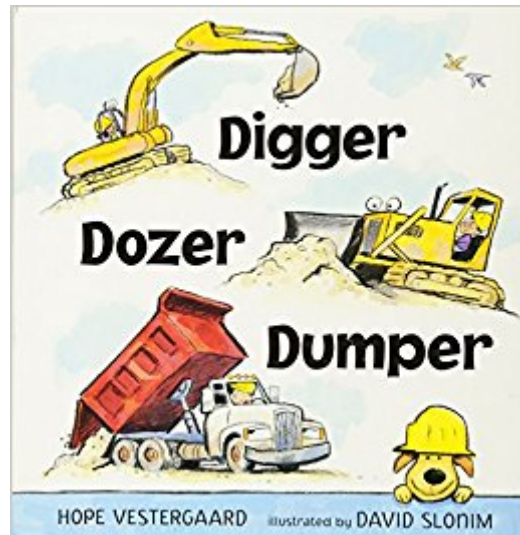




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# Digger, Dozer, Dumper



## Synopsis

Each truck and big machine in these enticing rhyming poems is different and little readers are invited to find a vehicle that's like them. Sixteen boisterous, rhyming poems – each one highlighting the job and personality of a different vehicle, from a backhoe to an ambulance to a snowplow – invite young children to meet their favorite trucks face-to-face. Cheerful illustrations show each one in action, digging (or dozing, or dumping) away. Engaging visual details like an anxious turtle crossing the street just ahead of a steamroller are sure to keep preschoolers poring over the pages as they consider the question, "Trucks as far as eyes can see. . . Which truck would you like to be?"

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

This collection of poems introduces 16 hardworking vehicles, from a little street sweeper tidying up the neighborhood to a mighty semi barreling down the highway. In the framework verse, three children are invited to try out the trucks. While the verse concentrates on the accomplishments of each vehicle, the illustrations show the kids (and sometimes their cheerful canine companion) in the driver's seats. The rhythmic, rhyming verse is expressive as well as informative. The text may be a bit long for the youngest truck fans, but they will be captivated by the lively artwork. In contrast to Slonim's lovely landscape paintings in *The Deer Watch* (2013), here his energetic acrylic-and-charcoal pictures animate the industrious trucks, creating amusing facial

expressions from headlights, bumpers, and other seemingly immobile features. The final spread gathers all the vehicles together and, with the turn of a page, transforms them into toy trucks moved about by the children. Fun for reading aloud, especially one-on-one. Preschool-Grade 1. --Carolyn Phelan --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This book is intelligent and informative, with craft, rhythm, great art, and entertainment. -- School Library Journal (starred review) Vestergaard (Potty Animals) offers 16 poetic tributes to big machines and trucks that should prove deeply satisfying to young connoisseurs and the grownups who read to them. ... Slonim's pictures are rendered in bright acrylics (fire engine red and construction sign yellow prevail) and outlined in appropriately rugged charcoal; their burly cuddliness skews the pages toward younger imaginations. -- Publishers Weekly A charming set of rhymes... This is a wonderful addition to the bookshelf of any kid fascinated by big trucks. And who isn't? -- San Antonio Express-News

We have almost every single construction book made for kids...and this is our new favorite! The pictures are great, but what I love most is how pleasant it is to READ. All of the rhymes work perfectly and are easy to read out loud. I can't stand when rhyming books don't really rhyme. This one is extremely well written! My 3 year old son wants to read it every day. The other very interesting thing that I love about this book is its use of "he" and "she." Half of the trucks are referred to as he...and the other half as SHE. This is the first kids construction book I've ever seen that assumes the trucks might be girls too. Its a subtle thing, but might be important for someone with a little girl who loves trucks...I liked this book so much that I've already ordered another one as a gift!

My 2 year old LOVES this book. We've read it so much over the past few weeks that she can recite huge chunks from memory. The last page asks the reader what truck they'll be, and she goes through everyone in the family, assigning them trucks. Very fun. Warning, it is a longer book--there's basically a poem for each vehicle--so it takes longer than I'd like for a bedtime book. But, you can skip a couple vehicles if needed (and if your kid will let you). I'm also happy that the book portrays both girls and boys driving and playing with trucks and refers to some trucks as "he" and others as "she". My daughter is obsessed with trucks, and some truck books only show boys and/or personify all the trucks as male.

This colorful book is a fun read for children and adults ! I particularly love the illustrations and am planning to give copies to my grandchildren for Christmas!!

Our new favorite book.Both my toddlers (boy and girl) love trucks. This book combines great poetry, details about different trucks' jobs and beautiful illustrations to entice them both. And as an added bonus about half of the trucks are girls!All the other tuck books we have are either silly or too detailed for toddlers. And most other truck books are very "boy". This is the perfect one for toddlers (and girls!) who love trucks!

My son is obsessed with anything on wheels, but not all books about trucks or construction equipment keep his attention. This book is his favorite right now! I enjoy reading it for him, too. It's such a cute collection of poetic tributes to a variety of vehicles.

I was delighted with the rhymes...richness in language and learning opportunities. Fun for a grownup to read aloud, with lots to discuss and expand upon; not a typical simple boardbook. But a lot to absorb in one reading...good for several visits and for rereading.

We LOVE this book! I have a 2 year old girl that loves all kinds of vehicles, and this book is inclusive for girls. The little rhymes are cute, and the illustrations are great. And there's nothing cuter than a toddler trying to say "excavator."

Of all the books about trucks and equipment, this one is awesome. It has fantastic poems about what each vehicle does and the illustrations are wonderful. My son stays engaged throughout the whole book and loves searching for the dog in each of the pictures.

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