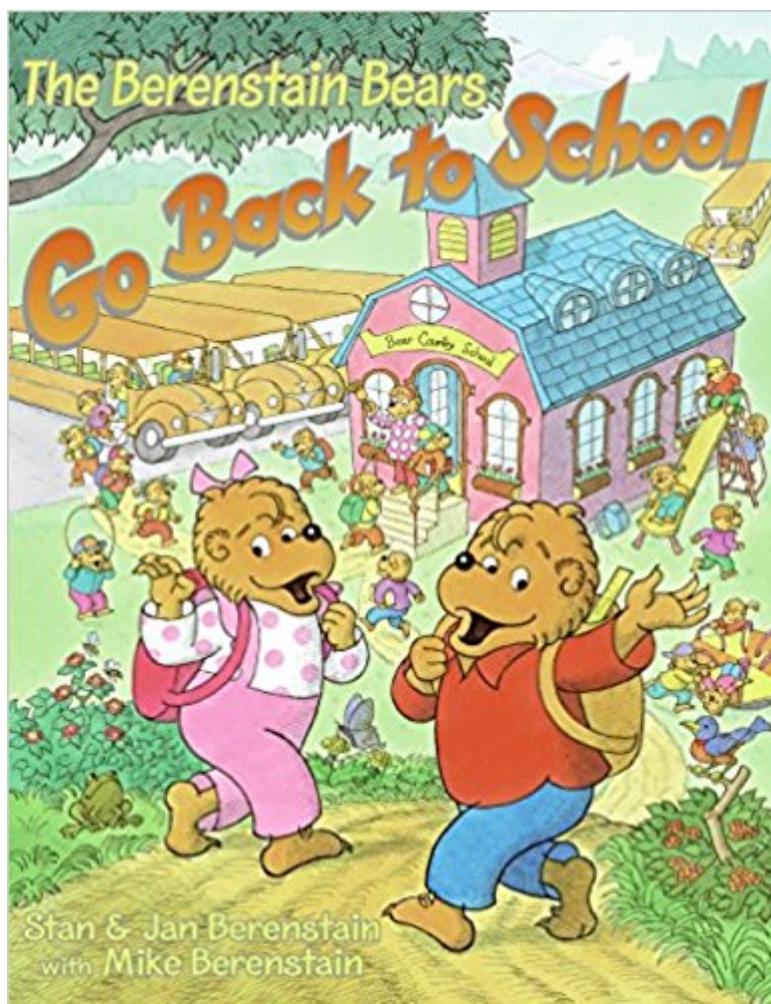


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# The Berenstain Bears Go Back To School



## Synopsis

On the first day of the school year, Brother and Sister Bear are nervous and excited. But with tons of new stuff to learn and explore, by the closing bell they can hardly wait for day two! There's something for everyone in this quintessential back-to-school book from Stan, Jan, and Mike Berenstain.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 3  
This offering does little to reassure children about a new experience. Basically, it gives a tour of a school and describes some activities. The principal is made of stern stuff and has a bench where naughty cubs wait,/sitting so quietly/awaiting their fate. Teacher Jane says, 'You know I've got eyes in the back of my head,' and, as illustrated, one cub imagines her with two sets of eyes. Teacher Bob introduces himself by saying, 'Third grade is hard./Third grade is tough./There's no more easy/First-grade stuff.' The cadence of the verse and the bright, busy illustrations in typical Berenstain style are appealing, but some of the vocabulary will be challenging for kindergartners, who will probably not recognize themselves as doing their very best to cope. First- through third-graders will relate better to the setting and be able to read this book independently, but why

would they want to? The text says, Though school is a challenge,/it can also be fun. True, but the only fun parts shown here are recess and going home. ©Lynda Ritterman, Atco Elementary School, Waterford, NJ Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Stan and Jan Berenstain were already successful cartoonists for magazines and adult humor books when they began writing children's books. The first story starring the bear family, The Big Honey Hunt, appeared in 1962. Since then, more than 370 Berenstain Bears books have been published, and more than 300 million copies have been sold. What began as an idea sparked by their young sons' love of reading has become over the years arguably the best-selling children's book series ever. Since their inception, the Berenstain Bears stories have expanded to include picture books, beginning readers, and chapter books--even a hit TV show on PBS. Writing and illustrating the books has become a Berenstain family affair. Mike joined with his parents as a creative team in the late 1980s. The Bear family has expanded over the years as well. Sister Bear arrived in 1974, and baby Honey joined the family in 2000. Though Stan died in 2005 and Jan in 2012, Mike continues to create the delightful Berenstain Bear adventures from his studio in Pennsylvania. Mike Berenstain lives in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, where he continues to write and illustrate wonderful new adventures for Mama, Papa, Brother, Sister, and Honey Bear. Stan and Jan Berenstain were already successful cartoonists for magazines and adult humor books when they began writing children's books. The first story starring the bear family, The Big Honey Hunt, appeared in 1962. Since then, more than 250 Berenstain Bears books have been published, and more than 260 million copies have been sold. What began as an idea sparked by their young sons' interest in children's books has become over the years arguably the best-selling children's book series ever. Since their inception, the Berenstain Bears stories have expanded to include picture books, beginning readers, and chapter books--even a hit TV show on PBS. Writing and illustrating the books has become a Berenstain family affair. Mike joined with his parents as a creative team in the late 1980s. The Bear family has expanded over the years as well. Sister Bear arrived in 1974, and baby Honey joined the family in 2000. Since Stan's death at age eighty-two in 2005, Jan and Mike have continued to write and illustrate wonderful new adventures for Mama, Papa, Brother, Sister, and Honey Bear. They live in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, which looks a lot like Bear Country. Mike Berenstain lives in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, where he continues to write and illustrate wonderful new adventures for Mama, Papa, Brother, Sister, and Honey Bear.

Getting our son ready for kindergarten we picked 5 books to read prior to the first day. Knowing the Berenstain Bears have helped a lot with big life events (staying at Grandmas and going to the dentist) we were confident that this book would help with the transition to school. We were right. The story is fantastic, touching on what our son was worried about and reassuring him he won't be alone. The graphics are super fun and stir additional conversation. Parents and child alike enjoy reading this book over and over again. Thanks Berenstains!

Always love Berenstain Bear books

Wonderful pictures, and the message is very positive and inspiring for kids to return to school.  
Loved it!

I purchased this the night before school to read something to my daughter. She was excited about pre-k4 but I thought this might ease any stress she was feeling. She loves the Bears so I thought this would be perfect. It was a disappointment as there was no story line - basically just a book long poem about things associated with school. My other issue was the vocabulary used to fit the rhyming scheme. It was more than a 4 - 6 year old could understand so I had to explain some of it. And having paid \$7 for the Kindle edition I felt the need to post a review so people would know what the book is about and also what it lacks.

I read this book aloud to my children. They love The Berenstain Bears! This is actually the perfect book to read at this time of year! Some kids are reluctant for the summer to end, and The Berenstain Bears Go to School reminds kids of what they have to look forward to when they return! The story is told in rhyming verse. Unlike most of the other books in the Berenstain Bears series, this book is oversize (11 in x 8.5 in) which is a nice bonus. As always, the illustrations are bright and cheery - a real treat to look at! This would make a great "back to school" book! MY RATING: 4 stars!! It was really good, and I would recommend it!

Brother and Sister Bear are excited and nervous to start the first day of school. They are nervous about meeting their teachers and getting a lot of homework. But when they return to school, they realize that they shouldn't have to worry because the school they are at is great. The author describes the feelings of anxieties, and anticipations of going back to school and really gets children to think about what their first day is going to be like. The author does a great job writing a story that

all kids can relate to and how they can overcome their first day anxieties

Teaches children about heading back to school, great story and read

The Berenstains accurately describe the feelings, anxieties, and anticipations of going back to school. This is a great read for any kid going back to school up to 4th grade.

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