

STEP INTO READING

ready to read

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I Like Stars



By Margaret Wise Brown
ILLUSTRATED by Joan PaLey

THIS BOOK BELONGS TO



3 of my favorite books

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Here is a picture of me
after I finish a great book!

Dear Parent:

Congratulations! Your child is taking the first steps on an exciting journey. The destination? Independent reading!



STEP INTO READING® will help your child get there. The program offers five steps to reading success. Each step includes fun stories and colorful art. There are also Step into Reading Sticker Books, Step into Reading Math Readers, Step into Reading Write-In Readers, Step into Reading Phonics Readers, and Step into Reading Phonics First Steps! Boxed Sets—a complete literacy program with something for every child.

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STEP INTO READING® is designed to give every child a successful reading experience. The grade levels are only guides. Children can progress through the steps at their own speed, developing confidence in their reading, no matter what their grade.

Remember, a lifetime love of reading starts with a single step!

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by Margaret Wise Brown
 illustrated by Joan Paley
 with an afterword by Leonard S. Marcus

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*For Anne, my very dear friend
 who is our brightest and most
 spirited star
 —J.P.*

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I like stars.





Yellow stars.



Green stars.



Red stars.



Blue stars.



I like stars.



Far stars.



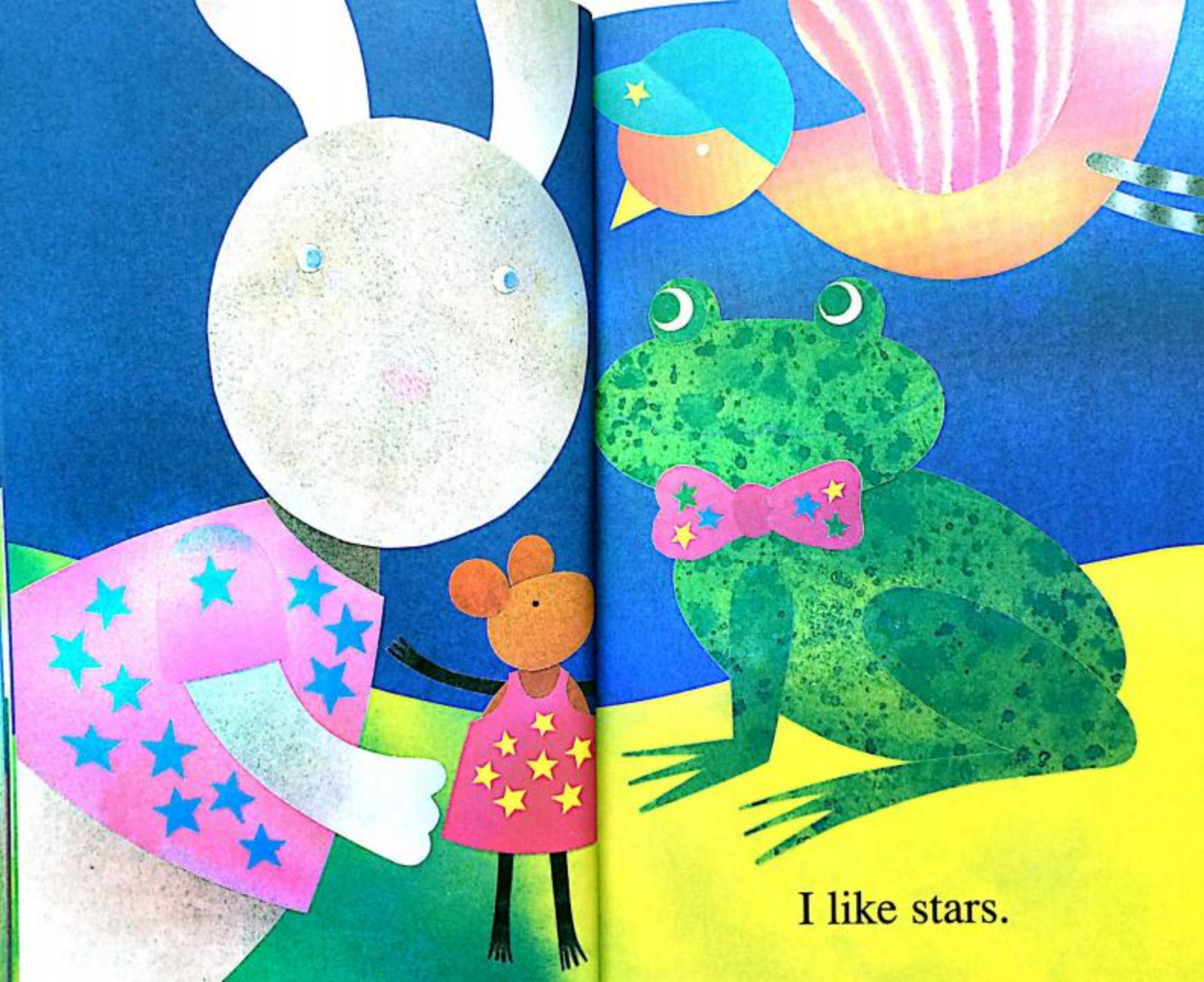
Quiet stars.



Bright stars.



Light stars.



I like stars.



A star that is
shooting across
the dark sky.



A star that is shining

right straight in your eye.

I like stars.



About the Author

Margaret Wise Brown liked stars.

As a girl she liked to sleep on the upstairs porch in the summer with her sister and their cat named Ole King Cole. From her bed she could look out over the trees at the stars.

Could it be that on one of those warm summer nights Margaret was thinking about “a star that is shining right straight in your eye”?

Gazing up at the stars and moon put Margaret in a dreamy mood. What a mystery it all was!

Years later, as a grown-up, she still enjoyed looking up at the night sky—and letting her mind wander.

One night she fell asleep at her window. The next morning she awoke and wrote down the words in her head: “Goodnight moon. . . goodnight stars. . .” Those words became her best-known book, *Goodnight Moon*.

As a famous author, she liked to tell her friends that she did not actually write books. She “dreamt” them.

Sometimes, it seems, she really did!

In *I Like Stars*, Margaret Wise Brown tells about many different kinds of stars: blue stars, green stars, quiet ones, bright ones.

What kinds of stars do *you* see when you look up at the stars at night?

—Leonard S. Marcus

Leonard S. Marcus is a well-known biographer and historian, and the author of Margaret Wise Brown: Awakened by the Moon.

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BIG BEAR, SMALL BEAR
- THE BERENSTAIN BEARS
GO IN AND OUT
- THE BERENSTAIN BEARS
GO UP AND DOWN
- THE BERENSTAIN BEARS
IN THE HOUSE OF MIRRORS
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It's time for YOU!
Pick your favorite
spot to read.
This is going to be
a great book!

What this book is about . . .

I Like Stars

Blue stars. Far stars.

Shooting stars. I like stars!



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