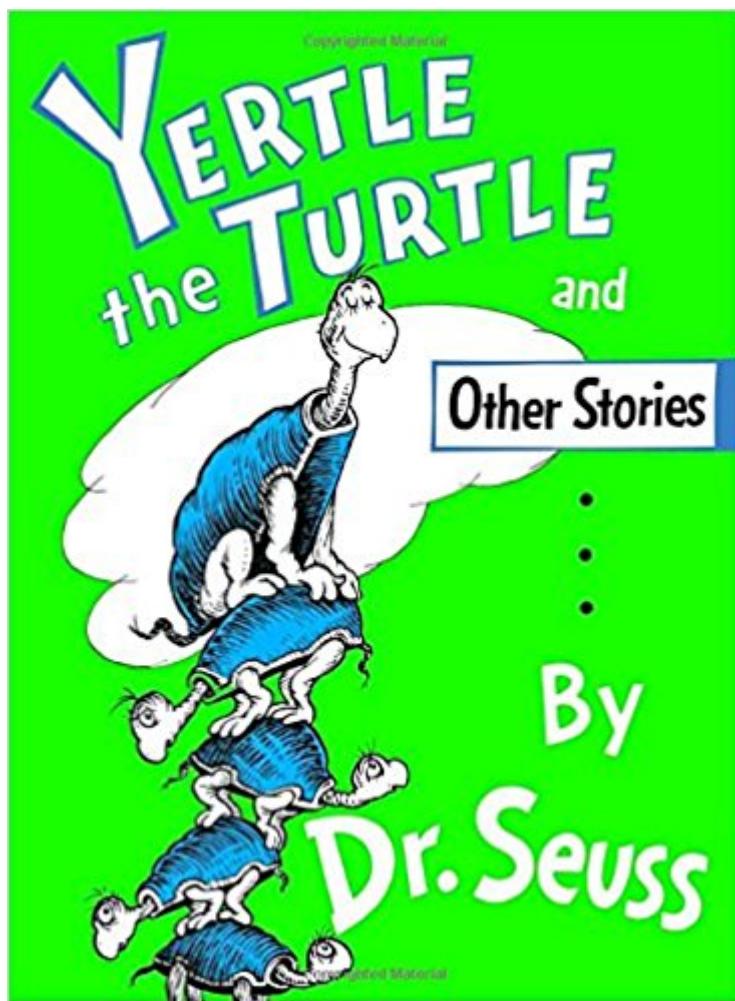


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# Yertle The Turtle And Other Stories



## Synopsis

Dr. Seuss presents three modern fables in the rhyming favorite Yertle the Turtle and Other Stories. The collection features tales about greed ("Yertle the Turtle"), vanity ("Gertrude McFuzz"), and pride ("The Big Brag"). In no other book does a small burp have such political importance! Yet again, Dr. Seuss proves that he and classic picture books go hand in hand.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 9 years

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## Customer Reviews

Yet more wisdom cast down from high atop Mt. Seuss, this cheerful trio of tales teaches some valuable lessons in humility--thanks to a sharp-eyed worm, a bragging bear and rabbit, a fuzzy-tailed bird, and a couple hundred turtles led by their foolish King Yertle. Yertle's story leads off with his attempt to build a bigger kingdom on the backs of his loyal subjects (literally). King of everything he can see, Yertle orders his turtles to stack up under him to build a towering throne. ("He made each turtle stand on another one's back and he piled them all up in a nine-turtle stack.") But a plain little turtle named Mack--stuck at the bottom--decides he's had enough. ("I know up on top you are seeing great sights, but down on the bottom we, too, should have rights!") Following Yertle's downfall, a whiny girl-bird named Gertrude McFuzz wishes she had two feathers, just like Miss Lolla-Lee-Lou: "One droopy-droop feather. That's all that she had. And, oh! That one feather

made Gertrude so sad." But even when Gertrude gets her wish--and then some--she finds that vanity has its price. Meanwhile, in "The Big Brag," a proud rabbit and an even-prouder bear duke it out in a battle of the senses, arguing over who's the best of the beasts, only to get their clever comeuppance from a wild-eyed little worm. (Ages 4 to 8) --Paul Hughes

"[Dr. Seuss] has...instilled a lifelong love of books, learning and reading [in children]" - The Telegraph "Dr. Seuss ignites a child's imagination with his mischievous characters and zany verses" - The Express "The magic of Dr. Seuss, with his hilarious rhymes, belongs on the family bookshelf" - Sunday Times Magazine "The author... has filled many a childhood with unforgettable characters, stunning illustrations, and of course, glorious rhyme" - The Guardian "Dr. Seuss ignites a child's imagination with his mischievous characters and zany verses." - The Express --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

One of my favorite books as a child and now my children, ages 5, 5 and 8 laugh and love these books as much as I did. We always buy the hardcovers of the classic books so I will have a library when grandkids come along. I realize kindles and iPads are taking over but there's nothing like having those books and pictures in your hand when you're little.

It's hard to go wrong with a Dr. Seuss book, including this one. Adults as well as kids will enjoy it. Everyone should read the title story, which is the best of the stories in this book. That's not to say any of the others aren't great, either.

Got this for a neighbor's boy who's turning 6. Only skimmed the 1st story but it's a really good one about a turtle (cover) & how he takes advantage of a bunch of other turtles' kindness so he can be "king of the mountain" (I paraphrased). Well, of course, they finally get fed-up & he topples down. Just like some people, dictators, rulers. Also, the price is a whole lot less than what the publisher wanted.

I remember this story from my childhood. It is still just as great today. I wanted to pass it on to my great nephews so they could enjoy it as well. My nephew used to beg for this story every day. He is now in his 30s and I had to get a copy for his son. I am so glad it is still available for sale.

Many adults do not realize there are Dr. Seuss books for older children. Sadly few children are

exposed to them. In a recent pretest, it was apparent only one of fifty students was familiar with this classic. Ted Geisel not only wished to teach our children how to read, but make them think about the world around them. I use Yertle in my classroom to demonstrate two types of government. I challenge you to look up Dr. Seuss' "big books" and search out what he has to say to you and your children today.

This is one of my favored books, and I am 66! I buy books for children of people who would not know about them and this is a MUST HAVE

An absolute classic and totally relevant today. My 4yr old granddaughter loves listening to Seuss's wonderful prose and loves the art. This was my favorite as a little girl and as an adult, it is still fun to read.

Bought it for a friend of mine who never read (never having children) as a representation of the president to be.

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