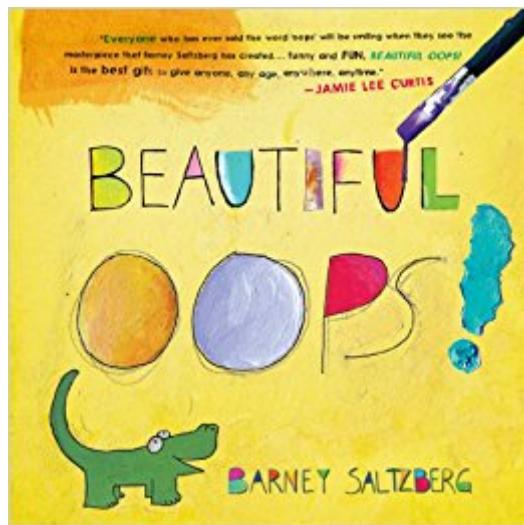


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Beautiful Oops!



Synopsis

A life lesson that all parents want their children to learn: It's OK to make a mistake. In fact, hooray for mistakes! A mistake is an adventure in creativity, a portal of discovery. A spill doesn't ruin a drawing—not when it becomes the shape of a goofy animal. And an accidental tear in your paper? Don't be upset about it when you can turn it into the roaring mouth of an alligator. An award winning, best-selling, one-of-a-kind interactive book, *Beautiful Oops!* shows young readers how every mistake is an opportunity to make something beautiful. A singular work of imagination, creativity, and paper engineering, *Beautiful Oops!* is filled with pop-ups, lift-the-flaps, tears, holes, overlays, bends, smudges, and even an accordion telescope—each demonstrating the magical transformation from blunder to wonder. 

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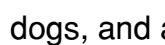
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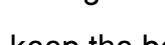
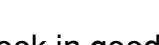
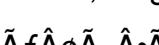
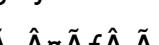
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Barney Saltzberg is the author of more than 30 books for children, including *Beautiful Oops!*, *A Little Bit of Oomph*, *Good Egg* and the bestselling *Touch and Feel Kisses* series. Additionally, he  recorded four albums of songs for children. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife, two dogs, and a pond full of fish.

This book encourages creativity, exploration, imagination, and most of all it encourages littles to find power & strength in their own mistakes. I stumbled upon our copy of this book at a used toy/clothes/books sale & immediately fell in love & bought it for a cool \$1 there, and this has quickly become the favorite in our house. Thank you to whomever sold their copy to us, & if you are looking for a gift for someone or your own littles, I highly recommend this beautiful book. 18 months+ just to keep the book in good condition!         

One of my favorite books. I have read this to my grandsons and they enjoyed it. I work with teen mom in foster care and have used it with them to encourage them to change the way they see life. I have even used this with my staff. We created a craft out of paper that was torn. Great book.

I got this book with my perfectionist six year old in mind. When something she is drawing or writing doesn't turn out like she wants it to, or she makes a mistake, she gives up on it and is discouraged. I'm trying to teach her to adapt and move on, to no longer be paralyzed by imperfection, and was interested in seeing if this book would inspire her. Not only has it become a favorite read-aloud due to the interactive nature and clever illustrations, but for a while my kids enthusiastically declared that they were going to sit down and make some mistakes on paper just so they could change them! The lessons presented in this book can apply to other, deeper areas of life and I think it's a valuable resource.

This book teaches a powerful lesson in just a few pages. My daughter (5) used to get very upset and burst into tears if she drew something and it didn't quite turn out how she wanted, or if she was practicing writing letters and didn't do it correctly. I found this book and it completely changed her outlook! Now, when she makes mistakes, often she says "that's ok, I'll just turn it into a beautiful oops" or if she does get upset with herself I'll suggest "don't worry about it, turn it into a beautiful oops" and she'll immediately calm down and doodle a backwards letter into a flower or something else.

This is a great book and really well made. I used it with my fifth grade students as a writing prompt about how it is good to make mistakes etc. FAIL First Attempt In Learning, Right?? We then took the page they were writing on in the journal and tore it, bent it, and scribbled on it. The students then used those mistakes to create their own Ooopses! It was a great lesson that they loved and I will repeat again with future classes. Kids have so much anxiety about being perfect. I find myself each year looking for small lessons about why mistakes are good and you don't have to be absolutely perfect. Too many people are afraid to try new things because they fear making a mistake. How many times did Edison fail at creating the lightbulb?? Glad he stuck with it. Great book, good message, well made product! Highly recommend! Note: this book is pretty small just an fyi and it is pretty short.

Wonderful children's book that is actually more fitting for adults like me, who need to learn to let go sometimes and just allow the "mistakes" in life to be turned into something unexpectedly beautiful, something that could not be achieved if adhering to the strict rules and norms of life. My maid of honor read this to me in her wedding toast, and it was hilarious and refreshing! She reminded my

husband to read this to me every night- haha. But I also cannot wait to read this with my future children, too, to remind them to stay a child as long as they can, and to not freak out over every little thing that doesn't seem to go their way. Life is much more than perfection and is an opportunity to unleash the creative possibilities into which every "flaw" can be transformed. Not to mention, the artwork and quality of this book is fabulous. Buy this book today! :)

It's tough to compete with the APP Store, but this book and its companion Press Here are great interactive books, where you can have a child sitting next to you and turn the pages at your speed (I add lots of dramatics to each turn of the page and make sure the instructions are followed to the letter before allowing the page to be turned). Great fun and creative "magic" for little ones.

This book is wonderful! I use it to introduce art to Kindergarten. The children love all the different page pull-outs and effects. It is fun to read and carries a beautiful message about making mistakes.

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