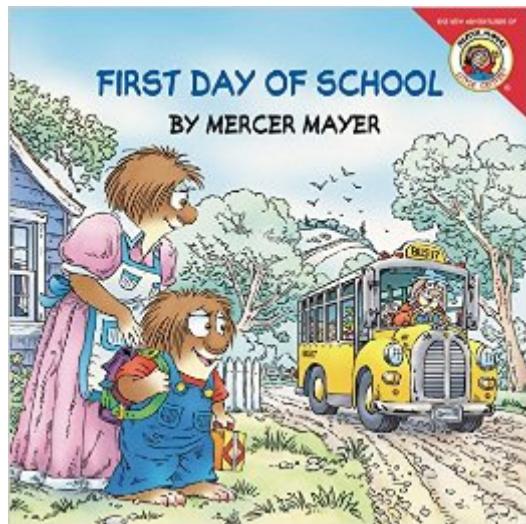


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# Little Critter: First Day Of School



## **Synopsis**

Little Critter is a bit nervous about starting school today. There's a lot to be done before he can even get on the busâ "he has to pick out his clothes, find his backpack, pack the perfect lunch, and say good-bye to Mom. Join Little Critter as he gets ready for this exciting day. Lift the flaps and find out what surprises are in store for Little Critter on his first day of school!

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## **Customer Reviews**

Bought this book because my daughter loves Little Critter, and was starting preschool in the fall and was nervous about the transition. We also bought Berenstein Bears Go to School. This book is ok, but lacks the charm of other Little Critter books. There's no real plot, it's just the things Little Critter does at school (with sort of annoying flap out pages). I was hoping for a little emotion from Little Critter (how he was feeling about going back to school, another kid who had a freak-out who Little Critter befriended, I don't know, something!), more than just descriptions "I make art in school, I eat lunch, etc). Berenstein Bears turned out to be the better buy - Sister is nervous to go back to school, Brother encourages her, Sister meets her teacher with Mama, etc. It was just a more relate-able

story for my 3 year old.

Many of the "1st day of school" books have the character as "worried" or "scared" of going to school. If you don't introduce that idea then they probably won't even think about it. But I don't think it's good to plant the idea in their head for them. This book is all positive about going to school. Little Critter is excited and looking forward to it and has a good day. We read this book over and over. Some of the other books I purchased I changed the words and rewrote the book myself (including the Little bears book, which was pretty good but I rewrote the "worried" parts still). Feel free to rewrite any books that you buy - it works until they can read!

My little grands have had some anxieties about the first days of school coming up; especially the first day of Kindergarten happening this year for two of them. Little Critter and his tales have been so much a part of their lives and hearts, who better to let them know it's going to be OK to ride the school bus for the first time and meet a new class? I cannot say enough about the Mercer Mayer "Little Critter" series of books. You simply can't go wrong in any of the choices you make with this series. They teach, comfort, make children laugh, ease their fears and anxieties, applaud their new achievements and help them have imaginary visits with grandparents. I love them and so do my little grands. My grandson, Kellan, has the whole collection! :)]5 stars, always, for Little Critter and his adventures!

My daughter is starting school, so I got this book to help ease the fear. It's a cute book, with pull out flaps to expand the pages. Not sure if it said it was lift-the-flap, but I didn't catch that. Nonetheless, my daughter enjoys it even more.

Cute book- we gave it to our son the night before his first day of preschool- not much pertained to him- it's probably geared towards kids a little older, but he has other Mercer Mayer books and likes them so I chose this one. It's not an awesome book, but I don't really have anything bad to say about it either- it's kind of just ok (to me, my son loves it and carries it around calling it his "school book"- so he'd probably give it 5 stars!).

I ordered this book for my son starting kindergarten. He loved the book, and I read him the story every night for the two weeks leading up to school. Despite his enjoyment of the book, he was not braced the harsh reality of school. Maybe the book can address the pain of your parents leaving you

in a strange place. By the end of the day, just like Little Critter, my son made friends, and did not want to leave. Thank you Little Critter.

My granddaughter started preschool at 3 years of age and this bed time story was her favorite for weeks this fall according to her parents. Thank you Mercer Mayer and Prime!

I love Mercer Mayer books anyway. Love the little critters. The content is pretty much about what happens on the first day of school. It was very understandable for my 4 year old grandkids who were going into pre-K

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