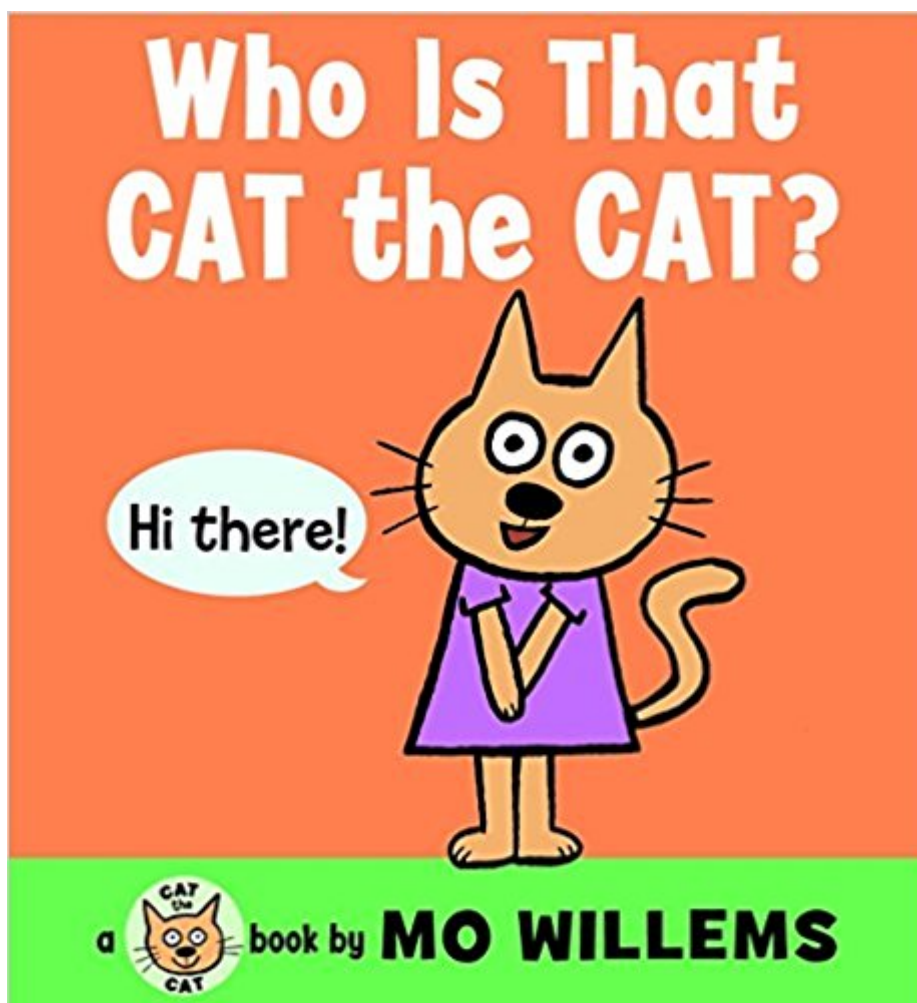


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# Who Is That, Cat The Cat? (Cat The Cat Mini)



## Synopsis

Mo Willems's New York Times bestselling Cat the Cat series is now in board book format—the perfect baby gift! Kids will love making friends with Cat the Cat as she introduces you to her animal pals. This irresistible new series focuses on simplifying essential concepts through vibrant art, spare text, and repetition. And in signature Mo style, there's a gently funny twist at the end of each book!

## Book Information

Series: Cat the Cat Mini

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Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

Along with *Let's Say Hi to Friends Who Fly* (2010), this upbeat title introduces young children to a new cast of animal pals. In large, bold type well-suited for brand-new readers, a narrator asks the title's question as winsome Cat the Cat, in a sporty purple dress, says hello to her friends, whose greetings, printed in speech balloons, give a little glimpse into each new character's personality. Mouse the Mouse is straightforward (“Hello there!”), Duck the Duck is a bit formal (“A pleasure, as always!”), and Fish the Fish is surfer-cool (“Hey, dude!”). Then Cat the Cat runs into a many-armed alien, who is busily building a tower of blocks, and the text's easy, back-and-forth rhythm screeches to a halt: “Cat the Cat, who is THAT?” asks the narrator. “I have no idea,” is Cat's wary answer, until she recognizes the adorable stranger as

“a NEW friend!” Once again, Willems avoids heavy messages and walks right into kids’ daily lives with this exuberant, clean-lined, animation-ready title that’s sure to widen his already vast fan base. *Preschool-Grade 1.* --Gillian Engberg --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

Join this spunky feline as she introduces the very youngest readers to fun concepts like identifying animals. A surprise is waiting in every mini book!

This is a very simple story. There is bold text in which, I assume, the reader asks "Cat the Cat, who is that?" (There is another creature on the facing page.) On the next page, again in bold letters, the reply is given. The reply always starts with "It's..." All the creatures have a name that echoes Cat the Cat. For example there is Fish the Fish and Duck the Duck. Toward the end there is a new creature, which does not resemble any animal. It's kind of in the monster/ alien realm- but not scary. Cat the Cat makes friends with it. That's all there is to this story. I bought this book for my twin 4 year olds who are starting to catch on to reading. Most emergent reader books are a little too advanced for them as they are learning. While my kids know a handful of sight words, they get frustrated when they have to sound out most of the book. This book fills in the gap between knowing the sound letters make and first reader books. The simple words and repetitive structure have helped to foster confidence in my young readers. I do wish the author or editor would have chosen to eliminate the contraction "it's" as this seems to be an unnecessary layer of complexity at this age. Others have stated they read it to their very young kids. I am sure it would be great for that, but I am glad I found this book as my kids are learning to read. All of that being said, if the child can read, this would be too simple. I would recommend *Elephant and Piggie*. While it's true that Cat the Cat might not be as memorable as Mr. Williams' other characters (Pigeon, Elephant Gerald, and Piggie), this character serves a purpose as a stepping stone for emergent readers.

I can usually say that author Mo Willems' books are all my favorites: I love the pigeon, the elephant and piggy, and knuffle bunny, with all my little librarian heart! Cat the cat doesn't have the personality and humor that I (and millions of his other readers) have come to expect. But no worries: I will still choose to add every pigeon/duckling/elephant/piggy/knuffle bunny book to our school's library collection. Just keep writing them, Mo! I'll buy 'em!

I was looking for some board books for my daughter and discovered this book and *Who Says*

That, Cat the Cat? ã Æ This is a fun book to read. It is a short and simple book that my 20 month old daughter likes to read with me. In the book, Cat the Cat introduces you to 3 of her friends: mouse the mouse, duck the duck, and fish the fish. She then runs into a monster who becomes a new friend- we call him Blargie Blargie. There are not a lot of words and the illustrations are fun.

We love all of Mo Willems books and this one does not disappoint. My preschool aged kids love this book and I even find my school age kids reading it every once and a while. A great book for early readers and to read to your little ones too. Funny and cute. Additionally, there are many more books in the Cat the Cat series, so if your kiddos like this book, you can get some others for them to enjoy too.

I was first introduced to Mo Willems' books at our local library, now we are fans of his books. My 18-m daughter loves this book. Now that she can say the sound of each character (cat, rat, duck, and fish), her face lights up each time a new animal shows up. Also the book is short enough for the short-attention span of toddlers. The words are simple and very easy to translate into other languages, so my husband and I read this book in our own languages (we are from two different countries).

Perfect for emerging readers. Simple text, amusing illustrations.....another great one from Mo Willems!

Loving CAT !! Mo Willems books are a favorite with my preschoolers.

Great for beginning readers. I would say K-1.

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