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Hello, Airplane!



Synopsis

Say hello to the airplane as it takes off on an exciting adventure: gliding through the night sky, skimming above the clouds, and soaring into a bright new morning. Where will the airplane go next? This vibrant new picture book from Bill Cotter, author/illustrator of *Don't Push the Button!*, takes young readers on an imaginative journey they won't forget.

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

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Customer Reviews

"This is a great book to introduce kids to air travel. Bill Cotter includes vibrant colors to accompany his simple text. This book is a great choice for young children who are non-readers and those emergent readers. It contains a repetitive storyline that makes the content easy to follow, while also encouraging safe and happy feelings about plane travel. Recommended" - Library Media

Connection "It's time to fly! Lyrical, accessible text and pleasant, focused illustrations from various perspectives introduce the very young to the world of flight in this descriptive selection reminiscent of the work of Byron Barton and Donald Crews... A nice choice for those who love planes or who are about to fly for the first time. " - Kirkus

BILL COTTER grew up in Rocky River, Ohio. After graduating from art school, he moved to New York City, and worked as a Pre-K art and music teacher in Manhattan. Bill currently lives in

Baltimore, Maryland, where he spends days doodling and hanging out with his basset hound named Goober. Visit billcotter.com for more.

My 22 mo loves this book and she has a slight airplane obsession right now. The story is very simple and the illustration is adorable. I wish Bill Cotter would crank out more books because she loves his other book, Don't Touch The Button.

Got this when my son (2 1/2 yrs) was going to be flying for first time. It helped him get familiar with the layout and we even brought it on the plane. I would recommend for any toddler who will be traveling.

Thinking that this was a follow up to don't push the button it was a let down. I was hoping for a book as interactive. My son and I have read it once. He hasn't asked for it sense.

Great tool for kids and parents to prepare them for the "big ride in the sky"....

Bill Cotter's Hello, Airplane! is a perfect book to introduce your little one to air travel! From boarding the airplane (on the old-fashioned portable stairs--do they still use those?), to leaving the ground, flying over people, mountains, trees, and birds, and saying hello to the ground again, the airplane journeys through the night. Cotter's drawings are simple and warm, and will encourage safe, happy, friendly feelings about air travel. I enjoyed his use of perspective. Some drawings are from below, looking up, others from above, looking down, some as if looking out of the plane, some as if watching the plane from the ground. The text is sparse, as you would expect, for the pre-reading and very early reading audience. This would be a cute book to take along for a toddler's first airplane journey. Thanks to NetGalley and the publisher for the complimentary electronic review copy!

I bought this along with other books by Bill Cotter. While not as inventive as his "Don't Push the Button" books and "Beard in a Box," it is a nice, early introduction to reading for even the youngest of readers. Beautifully illustrated in a sort of crayon picture book, it talks about a persons first flight and may be helpful for kids getting on planes for the first time. My son (2 years old) enjoys it, but he doesn't ask for it constantly like other books by the author. Still worth a look especially if your child enjoys simple stories or is starting to learn to read.

This book would be a perfect companion to a small child on her first airplane flight or even before, to prepare her for that exciting ride of her life high up in the sky. This book documents an airplane's journey from the time of liftoff to the time of touch down. It exhibits wonderful vocabulary words such as hello (airplane), over (trees, mountains and people), through (clouds) and above (birds) just to name a few. The book has a very happy and uplifting vibe and the illustrations are colourful, big and engaging, just a perfect match for the sparse text. Both are so kid- friendly and appealing to that specific age group. I highly recommend this book.

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