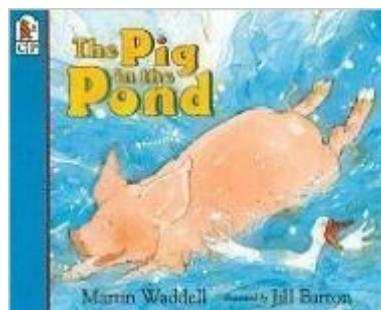


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# The Pig In The Pond



## Synopsis

Pigs don't swim, or so it's said. But on one of the hottest days of the summer, the pig on Neligan's farm sits by the pond feeling envious of the ducks and the geese floating in the cool water. Finally, when she can endure the heat no longer—“splash!”—this sweltering pig takes a dive, throwing the entire farm into an uproar. It isn't long, however, before the refreshing idea catches on, and the pig finds that she's got company! This spirited tale with its exuberant illustrations is sure to be a hit with all those young and old who ever wanted to take the plunge.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

Waddell captures the feeling of a hot afternoon in his humorous story "Pig in a Pond." While watching the ducks splash in the farm yard pond, the pig becomes more and more hot, more and more frustrated, because who ever heard of a "Pig in a Pond"? Finally, he give into temptation and dives in! When the farmer sees this, he decides its not a bad idea and joins the animals on his farm for a splash in the old swimming hole! A delightful story perfect for reading aloud on a sticky summer afternoon

Neligan's pig doesn't swim... or does she? Find out in this delightful tale of a pig on a hot summer's day. The illustrations carry this simple story and the pig's discomfort is so genuine, I can't help but

long for a paddle in a cool pool myself. It is also entertaining to see the outraged pond dwellers and their barnyard gossip chain portrayed... and the ending in which the tattle-tales join in the fun. My two-year-old loves this story and it would also make good reading for the pre-school and primary child.

This is such a fun book for kids who love animals! I bought two, laminated the pages of one. With the second I cut out key animals and then laminated those, using velcro dots so my toddler grandchild can interact. Turned out really cute!

what a refreshing story! my 4 year old and 7 year old loved the story as well as the pictures. would recommend to any child in preschool and up.

Experiencing The Pig in the Pond with preschoolers is a delight. Three to Five year olds will be fully engaged by the rich illustrations and simple text--words full of meaning to young children. My preschool class waited with anxious anticipation to see what that very hot pig would do AND what would happen when Nelligan came home. The end is silly and satisfying and just what the children were waiting for. This has become a much loved favorite in our classroom.

I've ordered this many times as a gift and had it for our children. The illustrations are stunning and engrossing to kids, the feel of the story is simple, fun, and playful. One of my favorite children's books!

The Pig in the Pond was an instant hit with our son. Having seen the play "Charlotte's Web", he has grown sympathetic to the plight of pigs, and since they are very smart, any book about pigs is a worthy read. Nelligan's farm is turned topsy- turvey when his pig chooses to do what a pig wouldn't normally do, swim instead of wallow! Wallowing isn't mentioned in the story, but the shallow pond implies that plenty of wallowing could happen if he was not in the mood to swim, if he stirs up the water enough. Instead, Nelligan's entire entourage of farm animals follows Nelligan as he follows his pig into the cool refreshing water- Some smart pig. The illustrations are humorous and loveable, the animals and Nelligan are all portrayed with wonderful expression. Five stars for the many times I am asked to read this book.

This book is delightful. The expressions on the animals' faces are hilarious. They convey so much

feeling. If this is read properly to children, they would giggle through the whole book, and want it read over and over again.

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