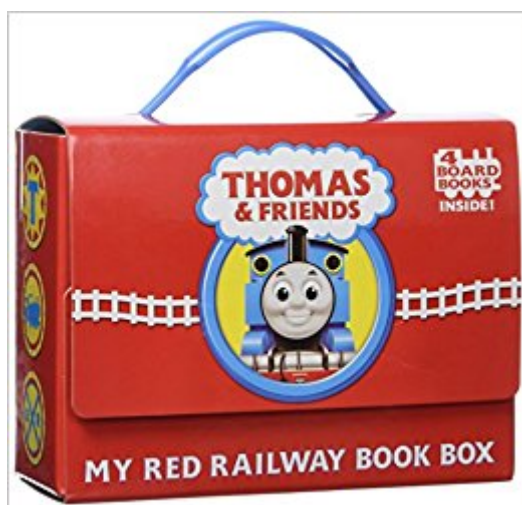


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Thomas And Friends: My Red Railway Book Box (Bright & Early Board Books)



Synopsis

Requested again and again, here, at last, is the Thomas Bright and Early Board Book Box Set. All four of the enormously popular Thomas board books are here: Go, Train, Go!; Stop, Train, Stop!; A Crack in the Track!; and Blue Train, Green Train. Boxed together in a nifty little lunchbox, these four books are a feast for Thomas™ smallest fans. The box features a sturdy handle and a velcro close and is perfect for Thomas lovers on the go.

Book Information

Series: Bright & Early Board Books

Board book: 96 pages

Publisher: Random House Books for Young Readers; Box Brdbk edition (January 8, 2008)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 4.5 x 2.3 x 6 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.2 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars 952 customer reviews

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Age Range: 3 and up

Grade Level: Preschool and up

Customer Reviews

In the early 1940s, a loving father crafted a small, blue, wooden engine for his son, Christopher. The stories that this father, the Reverend W. Awdry, made up to accompany this wonderful toy were first published in 1945. He continued to create new adventures and characters until 1972 when he retired from writing. Reverend W Awdry died in 1997 at age 85.

My 3 year old son LOVES Thomas and Friends. He actually loves any type of train. Before bed, he chooses one of these books to read. Sometimes I have to make him choose another because we've read these so much. He's even memorized some of the parts. I would definitely recommend this to be added to a child's collection. I really like the nice little box they are stored in. It helps to teach my son how to put things away when he's done with them and the value of taking care of his things.

My little guy is obsessed with Thomas and Friends. We got this set when he was about 14 months old, after we borrowed "Stop! Train! Stop!" from the library, and he couldn't get enough of it. It comes with 4 board books, "A Crack in the Track", "Stop! Train! Stop!", "Go! Train! Go!", and "Blue Train, Green Train". These are the abbreviated versions of the picture books of the same names. At first I was worried that they wouldn't be as good, but I found that they work better for his attention span, and, in some cases, like "Blue Train, Green Train" had better rhythm and clearer parallels in the wording. There is some rhyming, but not in all the books, the stories do have a nice rhythm (though sometimes certain phrases are repeated too quickly and feel a little lazy). Not high literature, but still nice little books. I will say, however, that this set's print edition seems to be of a slighter lower quality than the older board book from the library. The pictures are slightly blurrier, but are still clear enough. I probably wouldn't have noticed if I hadn't had the library's copy right next to it. Our little guy loves this set. He likes to bring us the books, then run and grab the trains corresponding to that story. He'll point out the different trains and objects, wave when the characters wave, moo when the cows moo, and show us his toy Thomas or Percy during "Blue Train, Green Train". The box itself held up fairly well for a while (sturdy cardboard with strong Velcro closure and plastic strap handle), but has become a bit beat up over the past couple months. Our toddler likes to stick his trains in it and carry them around before dumping them out again. The velcro is so strong that he needs to use a lot of force to open it... Which often results in it flipping itself shut again. This can be funny to watch, until he starts getting frustrated, then it's a little sad.. But still a little funny. Overall a great set, especially for the price.

I didn't expect my son to be completely obsessed with this. He carries it around everywhere!!!! He can't take it to daycare so that's always a struggle (causes problems with the other kids). The books themselves are short, adorable and great too. I only wish my kid would stop talking about "Percy" constantly, since he can't pronounce his R's and the word itself sounds like something else... I'll let you use your imagination!!!

Like many toddler tooters, my kid is IN LOVE with thomas. I don't know what it is, is it the creepy face? Is it BECAUSE of the creepy face? We have so many other anthropomorphic creatures in our house but why do trains take the cake? the mysteries of the mind. Our daughter loves the books, likes that her Percy is featured in TWO of the books included here (Crack in the Track (?!) and Blue Train Green Train) but there is a secondary dual function that is also a hit: the book box doubles as

her "purse" around the house. You get two toys in one! Re: said box - very sturdy, good velcro mechanism that your kid can continuously, never-endingly push and pull apart.

I was a bit disappointed when I looked at these books. The artwork is not the typical "Thomas & Friends" pictures from the series with a story, but rather a cartoony-type drawing of various quality. But my Son, who is 2, was THRILLED! He loves his "Thomas Books", and pulls them out again and again for us to read them to him again. The stories are not the typical "Thomas & Friends" stories, either. His favorite story is 'Go Thomas Go', which is a silly ditty about Thomas not stopping at the various stations to get finished faster. I won't ruin the ending with a spoiler, but while I question the quality of the story and the rhyming, my son loves to point out the cows, and gives the cursory "uh-oh" when Thomas doesn't stop. Ultimately, it is what he likes, and not what I like, but I'm holding to 4 stars because the story line and art quality among the books. The books themselves are sturdy, and the box they come in is a great way to easily bring the books with you. I'm very happy I got these, because the little guy likes them so much, and I would heartily recommend them to anyone considering picking them up.

I love this set. I will be having a son/daughter soon, and I think these are wonderful books to read. They all have some sort of positive message, but make sense at any age. I read them to my baby in the womb until they get here, but I am sure they will appreciate it a lot more when they get here (just like my niece).

This was a great buy for my 3yo daughter who loves trains. The set itself comes in its own carrying case with handle. The lid is secured with a Velcro tab. Once you open the books you have 4 Hard in the carrying case. Each book has about 10-15 pages. Pictures are just like cartoon itself. All the characters have parts in each story. These books are sturdy enough for children ages 1 and up. With enough words to keep even older children entertained. Great value for the money and I would purchase more sets like this in the future. With a price like this it's worth grabbing for a gift to keep just in case.

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