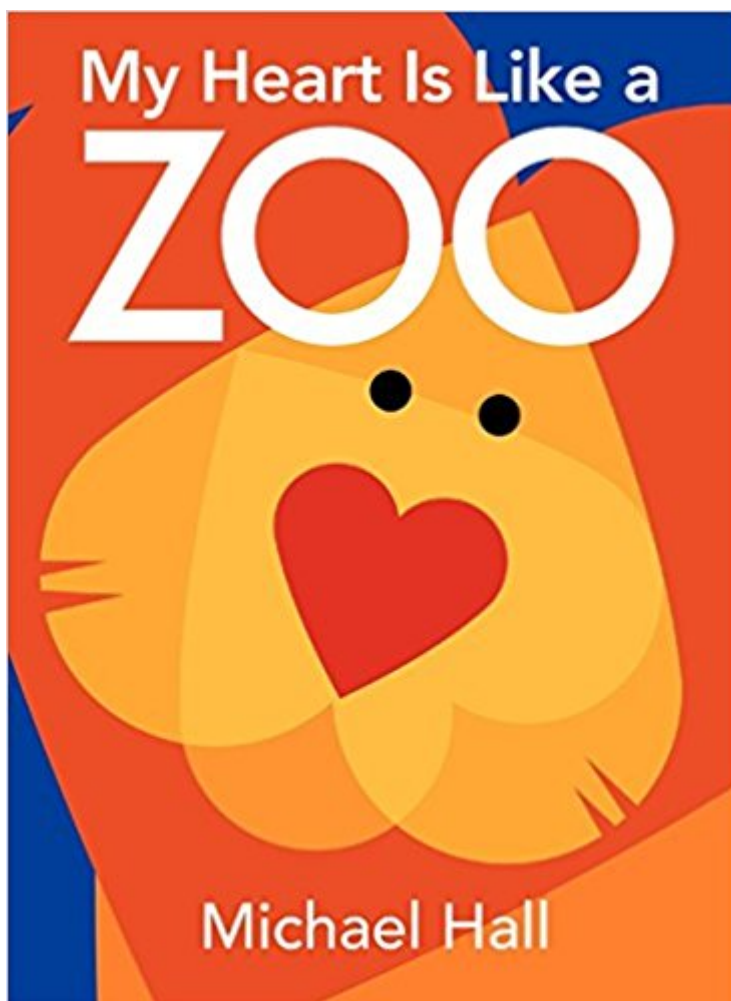


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My Heart Is Like A Zoo Board Book



Synopsis

The New York Times bestseller *My Heart Is Like a Zoo* features bright colors, simple sentences, playful animals, and more than 300 hearts for children to count and enjoy. Caldecott Medalist Brian Selznick says, "Starting with one simple shape, Michael Hall shows us a nearly infinite number of ways to make a menagerie of love." This board book edition of the award-winning picture book is perfect for little hands and the very youngest readers, who will learn that a heart can be hopeful, silly, happy, rugged, snappy, or lonely. A heart holds every different feeling, and author-artist Michael Hall captures each one with his bold, graphic artwork. An ideal springboard for conversations about emotions, and for introducing concepts, math, and art projects in the classroom and at home. School Library Journal called it an "outstanding choice for one-on-one sharing."

Book Information

Board book: 34 pages

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Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

Customer Reviews

The bold digital collages of zoo animals in this debut picture book are clear and bright, and the simple rhymes about feelings will have preschoolers savoring the words, joining in, and pointing at every playful zoo scene, each featuring one animal per page. Even toddlers will enjoy talking about the scenarios, especially after they see the final spread with the small [zookeeper](#) asleep in his bed, his beloved animal toys snuggled around him. Kids will easily recognize the emotions in the words ["Snappy as a crab, / angry as a bear, / bothered as a bull / with a hornet in its hair"](#) as well as the more positive feelings ["Brave](#)

as a lion, / thoughtful as an owl, / peaceful as a portly walrus / lounging on a towel. A final note points out that all the collage pictures are made up of heart-shaped pieces, more than 300 in all, and older kids might want to count them. Preschool. --Hazel Rochman --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

"It stole my heart." (Robert Sabuda, New York Times bestselling author) "Starting with one simple shape, Michael Hall shows us a nearly infinite number of ways to make a menagerie of love." (Brian Selznick, Caldecott Medalist) "Now hear this! The art in this book will astonish Earth!" (Chris Raschka, Caldecott Medalist) "Michael Hall's *My Heart Is Like a Zoo* is a combination of deceptive simplicity and gorgeous graphic design. Colorful, fun, and thoroughly enjoyable." (Laura Vaccaro Seeger, Caldecott Honor Artist, New York Times bestselling author) "The bold digital collages of zoo animals in this debut picture book are clear and bright, and the simple rhymes about feelings will have preschoolers savoring the words, joining in, and pointing at every playful zoo scene." (ALA Booklist) "Animals, adjectives and hearts lots of hearts combine in this bright, appealing selection, reminiscent of the works of Lois Ehlert." (Kirkus Reviews) "Children just learning about shapes will revel in these pages." (Publishers Weekly) "This title will have a wide audience, whether in a classroom, library, or at home. An outstanding choice for one-on-one sharing." (School Library Journal)

Already my almost two year old daughter and I have made several of the heart shaped animals from this book: the frog, the bear, the moose. My daughter doesn't outright ask for this book, like some of her other favorites, but she never turns away from it either. It's great for inspiring creativity and the heart shaped animals are lovely

I came across this book by chance, and bought as an impulse purchase. It is absolutely adorable. We don't have any other books by this author, but I've added them to our wish list. I bought the book for our "newly two" thinking he'd enjoy the pictures. (The "almost four" is much more into anything with wheels, so I wasn't expecting him to be too into this.) Well, turns out it's a hit with both. There are some words that weren't as familiar to the kids, but we've explained what they mean, or given synonyms in explanation. What a great and easy way to teach new words. Adorable, and great for ages 18 months - 4 years or so.

she loved it

My Heart is like a Zoo shows the reader how one simple shape, the Valentine heart, can be used and slightly modified to make many different larger, complex shapes-- those of animals in this case. Michael Hall's illustrations at first look simple, until closer observation brings out the complex nature of what Mr. Hall has accomplished. The process for my students of recreating some of the images, and making their own, with construction paper excited them. It also highly challenged them, as they needed to be conscious of what they were seeing, and had to make carefully thought-out decisions.

This is such a beautiful book with a positive message. Board books are a bit higher priced due to their durability and I found this to be a steal! Great price! Shipping was fast. It was packaged nicely. My only complaint is that when I first opened the book 2 of the pages were stuck together by some sort of sticky substance causing a small tear when I pried it open. It's hardly noticeable but it was a little disappointing. Not enough for me to return it though. Overall great book, good price!

creative pictures!

Possibly my new favorite children's book! It has unique animals not commonly found in books. Not your typical lion tigers and bears. Huge hit with grandkids!

Love Michael Hall's books. This story is a fun rhyming story with creative illustrations. We use it in the classroom when dissecting how to draw.

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