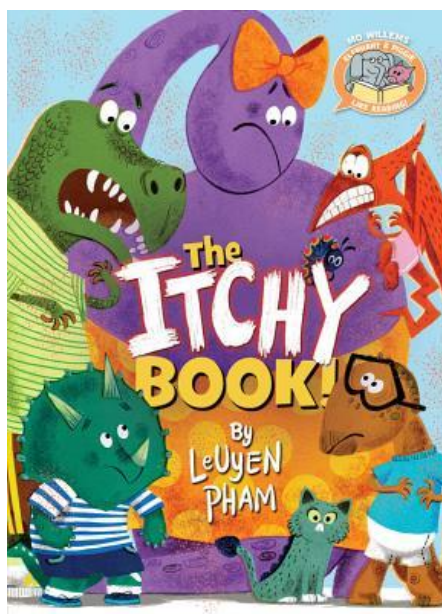




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Triceratops has an itch. . . so does Pterodactyl. . . and Brontosaurus. . . and T-Rex! But Dino-Mo reminds them all of the BIG rule: Dinosaurs do not scratch! What's an itchy dinosaur to do?

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Kristi Bernard says

Elephant and Piggy like to read and this book is one that they love.

Dinosaurs are tough and so they don't scratch when they itch. One little dinosaur doesn't scratch because the sign on the rock says not to. One by one, other dinosaurs appear with an itch that needs a good scratch. Bug bites, cuts, itchy shirt tags and all is what these dinosaurs are dealing with, but they toughen up after reading the rock. Even T-Rex doesn't scratch. The one little dinosaur is put to the itchiest test ever. Dry leaves, a straw hat, grass, hair and even a cat on him doesn't get him to scratch. How long do you think he can be tough before he has to scratch?

This hilarious story is fun and silly. Kids know what it's like to have an itch that they need to scratch. Colorful illustrations and short snappy sentences make this sturdy little book an excellent read for beginners. Parents and caregivers will have fun presenting this story as a read-a-loud.

Matt says

Sometimes, when you have an itch, you really want to give it a scratch. Makes sense... but not when there's a sign, 'Dinosaurs do not scratch'. Alas, this collection of dinos are so eager to scratch that feeling that comes across the skin, but cannot disobey the sign. One of them is acting like quite the martyr, shepherding the others away from scratch temptation. When, upon closer look, there is more to the sign than meets the eye, things fall into perspective. Neo enjoyed this book as a bedtime piece, particularly because his friend, Elephant and Piggie, make cameo appearances. A wonderful piece for the curious reader, full of laughter and excitement.

Niki (Daydream Reader) says

Warning: This book will make you feel itchy!
My students loved this book! So funny!

Laura McLoughlin says

Pretty cute/silly entry in the Elephant and Piggie Like Reading series. I kinda wish that the pterosaur would have pointed out that it is not in fact a dinosaur and could have scratched his/her itch just fine!

(My 7 y/o currently wants to be a paleontologist so I may know a bit too much about Mesozoic creatures than I really need to)

Stephanie Tournas says

A succession of adorable dinosaurs comes to a rock that proclaims “Dinosaurs do not scratch.” As the friends contemplate the message, they become itchier and itchier. The itchiness hits fever pitch, and then the problem is solved by a turtle. I love how the book takes a small but annoying part of life and makes it into problem for friends to solve together. The dinos are of many colors, some have glasses, they are of different genders, big and small, and some read and others do not. Speech bubbles and vibrant funny art make this an appealing book for new readers, for reading alone and laughing out loud.

Jason says

I knew the punchline from the beginning, but it was so wonderfully silly, who cares? And besides, I'm not the intended audience.

Scottsdale Public Library says

What a fun book that will have you scratching with relief as they solve their very itchy dilemma. It might even alleviate your latest reading itch!

~Jennifer K.

McKenzie Richardson says

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A cute book all about being itchy. I really liked the illustrations in this one. Each dinosaur is itchy for a different reason as shown in the pictures (tag on shirt, sunburn, bee sting, etc.). I enjoyed the detail in the illustrations. And they are hilarious so there is that.

Overall, the story was cute, although I was expecting the full message to make a little bit more sense after such a huge buildup. Based on the positioning of the sleeping turtle, it was clear there was more to the message than just, "Dinosaurs do not scratch", but the reveal was a bit of a letdown. Plus, I don't know why anyone would carve that message on a rock in the first place. I guess there is a vague lesson about friendship and helping each other out in there somewhere. Regardless, it was entertaining.

Anyway, it was a cute book with really book illustrations. Funny and engaging.

Gina says

I think part of the fun is supposed to be that all the talk about itching makes you itchy, but it didn't. Kind of lackluster based on trying to live up to an image based on a misunderstanding.

Beth says

There is nothing that makes a person more itchy than being told not to scratch, and dinosaurs are no different. Pham's story is rendered entirely in dialogue, but her illustrations of dinosaurs concentrating on not scratching convey the struggle with great feeling with lightning rods to demonstrate the itches. Cartoon-style dinosaurs cavort in brightly colored clothing on vibrant yellow backgrounds, doing their best to present a "tough dinosaur" persona. Although dinosaurs are popular with the intended reading audience, there's not much fiction to meet the demand, and Pham's contribution will be welcomed with open arms.

Karen says

A turtle rests in front of a sign that says, "Dinosaurs do not itch". He greets a dinosaur who reads the sign and wonders but takes it to be true. Soon his friend, a triceratops comes by with an itch that she wants to scratch. The first dinosaur shows her the sign. Several more dinosaurs read the sign and all of them struggle not to itch. The first dinosaur decides to prove that they can do it, they do not need to itch. They try everything to make him itch. Finally the turtle wakes up and moves. Now the sign says, "Dinosaurs do not itch ALONE." There is a very satisfying page of dinosaurs scratching together. One of them asks, "I wonder why don't dinosaurs itch alone?" This is an excellent question for the turtle who now has an itch that he cannot scratch because everyone else has left and now he is alone!

It is said that, "if it's on Facebook, it's true." This silly picture book, illustrated with goofy dinosaurs in bright cheery colors, puts the written word to the test. Is something so, just because it is written in stone? Or on Facebook? Or anywhere? The theme of this story asks readers to question the written word and to challenge what may or may not be true in what is seen and what is heard. A good lesson for all in a digital world where anyone can say anything and even pictures can be doctored into false reality. This would be a great book for opening a discussion on when to question the veracity of any statement one may come across.

Joshua Whiting says

(Maybe 3.5?)

Jordan Henrichs says

A cute and humorous story, as you would expect from an Elephant and Piggie tale, but the message in the end is somewhat confusing.

Becky says

Premise/plot: The Itchy Book is an early reader in the Elephant and Piggie Like Reading series. Each book in the series opens and closes with a few pages of Gerald and Piggie.

Gerald! Do you like books that make you feel things?

I do.
Do you like books that make you feel things all over?
I DO!
Then I have a book for YOU!
"The Itchy Book"?
I feel you will love it!

The Itchy Book stars dinosaurs who really feel the need to scratch an itch...but...a sign reading, "DINOSAURS DO NOT SCRATCH" is holding them back. But for how long?! One dinosaur is insistent that HE would never scratch no matter how itchy he felt. The others are out to get him to see if he is really as "tough" as he claims.

My thoughts: I liked this one. I think my favorite part was when one of the dinosaurs asks, "If I say I am not a dinosaur, can I scratch?!" Did the book make me feel itchy? Not particularly. I think a book about yawning would work better perhaps. I almost always catch a yawn.

Text: 3 out of 5
Illustrations: 3 out of 5
Total: 6 out of 10

Mundie Moms & Mundie Kids says

Great for young readers, this beginning reader features some very itchy dinosaurs. With bright illustrations, laugh out loud humor, and repetitive words make this a beginning reader worth picking up. This book is definitely our favorite from the Elephant & Piggie Like Reading! series. We loved seeing them introduce the book at the very beginning. Fun aside, we can to caution, this book may make reading fun, and may make the reader think they have an itch. You've been warned.... we highly recommend picking this one up! It's great for readers of all ages, and while it's the perfect beginning reader book, it also makes a great bedtime story.

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