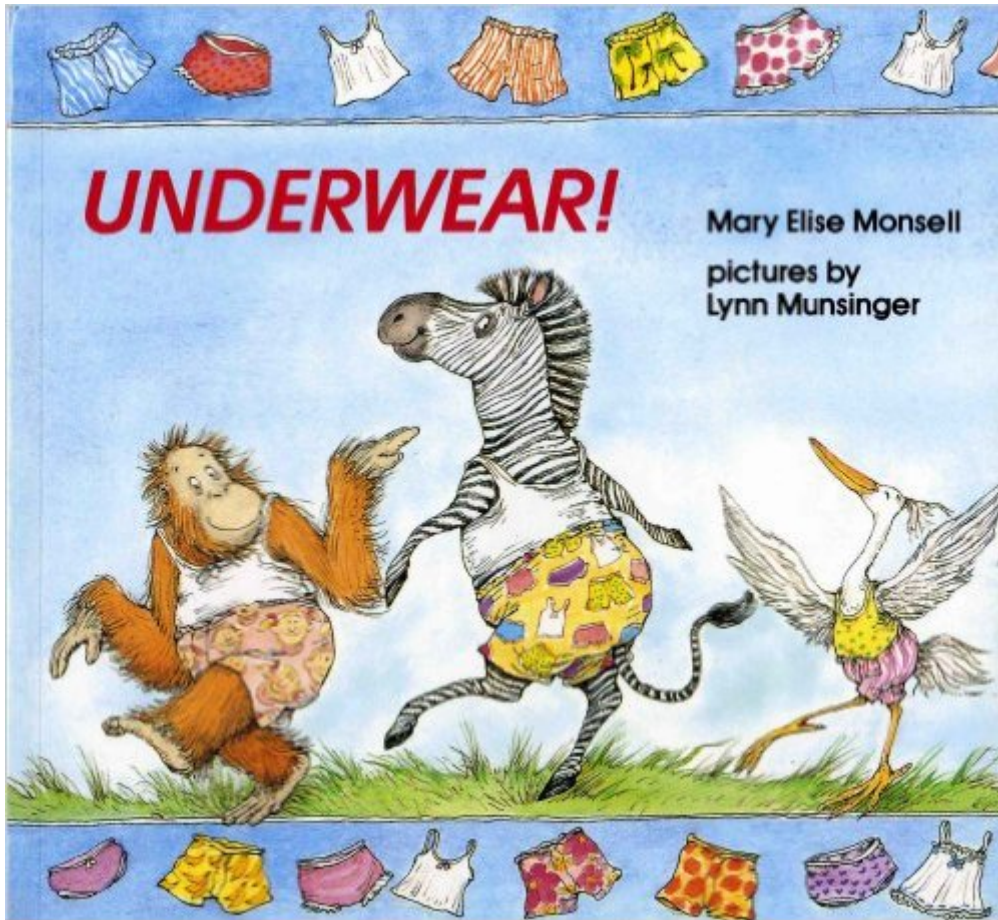


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# Underwear!



## Synopsis

Bismark the Buffalo is grumpy and unlovable until his friends teach him how to laugh and show him that wearing colorful underwear can be great fun.

## Book Information

Paperback: 24 pages

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Age Range: 3 - 6 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

This is a great read-aloud book for kids of all ages! I teach high school, and tell stories as an avocation (yes, I know the two are not mutually exclusive!). When I get to the part where Bismark tries not laugh, I go into hysterics. Little kids love it, high school kids ask to have it read again, and adults have been known to snicker a time or two. It's a good read, and an audience-pleaser. Some food for thought, too. My favorite line is Zachary's: "It is a tragedy to be clever but not happy." Spinoza couldn't have said it better. I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Monsell at a reading conference once. She has made the world a happier place by creating this wonderful story.

My son received this as a gift...I probably wouldn't have chosen it off the shelf. But he has loved this book and laughed over it many times. (It works better when my husband reads it to him -- he's better at the silly noises than I am!)

This book was and is one of our favorite books. As Bismark the buffalo discovers the joy of Underwear, you discover the joy in your child. My daughter and I spent many hours laughing uproariously over this book. Just try not to laugh.

I bought this book for my new grandson since the copy I purchased for my son when he was a child has been misplaced. We all loved the book from the first time reading it and I'm sure my grandson will enjoy it too.

The Animals of the Grasslands try to make Bismark (the MISERABLE buffalo) laugh. The pictures and animal-antics are SURE to bring smiles, giggles and belly-laughs to the listener-reader. You can't miss with this one. Good for a rainy day...to push away that hoovering, gray cloud. This is a GREAT read-aloud for preschoolers through grade 2. Good for word-tracking and sight word recognition. Reading level on a grade 1-2. A "MUST HAVE" for a classroom library.

The book, Underwear, captivates the true meaning of underwear. This storyline will keep you reading until the end, and then you'll want to read it again and again. Get lost in the book. And then you will be proud of your tighy whityness. This book is funny because they make animal wear funky underwear. Such as when they said, "Zachary the zebra didn't like buttons or snaps or sleeves or slippers. But he did like underwear". This book also uses many illustrative pictures to help you understand more about the book. Such as when the artist uses a lot of colors and illustrations. The author uses rhythm and rhyme to make reading fun. Such as when they said "snaps or sleeves, or slippers or zippers..." The writer really captivates the real meaning of underwear. One way of making this book fun to make it funny. He uses great pictures and rhythm and rhyme to make reading super fun.

Meet Zachary Zebra and Orfo Orangutan who both like all different types and styles of underwear. Each year the two of them attend the Grassland Underwear Fair. Are they the only two that like buying and wearing underwear? No but there is one creature who does not like underwear thinking it is useless. Neither will he smile, laugh or tell jokes! His name? Bismark the Buffalo. Bismark is just plain miserable, in fact he is so grumpy that even the bugs that feed his friend Igor the Egret, get fed up and fly elsewhere leaving him all alone. What to do? Set a challenge! "I'll bet you can't laugh, even if you say the word underwear ten times." Does Bismark take up the challenge? If so, what happens? Yes, this story is definitely a little silly but it is fun and the kids enjoyed it.

This is one of my favorite children's books. As a former teacher I made this book a fun project. First grade students get the giggles when they hear you say underwear. The pictures are wonderful and

the animals each have their own personality. They all love underwear except one. They celebrate underwear in every way possible. They work together to help their grumpy friend appreciate underwear and the laughs, comradeship, and fun it can evoke. After reading this book to the students we cut an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper in half, fold again, cut a v shape at bottom to form legs then decorate your underwear with any design you want. has a wonderful selection of children's books for all age groups.

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