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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

PreSchool-Grade 3-A Halloween version of the familiar cumulative rhyme. Things get a little out of hand at Count Dracula's house- "This is the mummy from days of yore/that rose from the coffin under the floor/that fell on the monster whose bloodcurdling roar/startled the fearsome manicore..." It is only when a group of trick-or-treaters comes on the scene that all is carefully put back to rights. The darkly muted oil pastel illustrations augment the ghoulishness of the tale, with a hidden clue leading readers from one double-page spread to the next. The creatures are suitably gruesome, but because of their friendly expressions should be nonthreatening. A definite hit for holiday story programs.

Beth Irish, Orange Public Library, CA

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From [Booklist](#)

Ages 5⁺-7. As might be expected, the house that Drac built isn't quite the same as the one built by Jack, but the rhyme winds and unwinds with the same force and structure in both their stories. In Drac's house, everything begins when a cat bites a bat, and it isn't till a group of children in Halloween costumes visits the house that everything is put to rights--from soothing "the fearsome manticore" to bandaging the bat. Hillenbrand's monsters are quite detailed, but even at their rowdiest, they aren't truly terrifying. They're more like costumed children who are grumpy and out of control. Good for a seasonal story hour. *Mary Harris Veeder*

Review

"Jack becomes Drac in this shivery twist on the favorite cumulative rhyme. . . . [Hillenbrand's] unusual cast of creepies, rendered in creamy-colored oils and oil pastels, are great fun."-Publishers Weekly

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Michael Vu:

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