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Tom Thumb
**Synopsis**

With courage, wit, and the help of animal friends, little Tom Thumb shows that despite his size he is a hero when the giant declares war on King Arthur’s court. Full color.

**Book Information**

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**Customer Reviews**

I purchased this title as a gift for a little boy. I believe that anyone who wishes to reread this tale or share it with a child will happily turn the pages, enjoying beautifully created illustrations during the retelling of this old favorite story.  

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"Tom Thumb" as retold and beautifully illustrated by Richard Jesse Watson is a wonderful new spin on an old fairy tale. The story accompanied by the bright, realistic illustrations will make a wonderful bedtime story and the perfect book to help a child learn to read. Every child will relate to Tom Thumb and his small adventures, Watson has crafted the perfect bedtime storybook!

The close-up illustrations in this story are imaginative and exciting. In this version, the giant (Grumbong) becomes enraged when he drops his seashell charm. Tom Thumb and the woodland creatures have to bring him another in order to save Camelot. Action packed, perfect for boys. This is rather long for littler children, but the illustrations may help them sit still for longer. Extremely well done.
An absolute winner! What can I say? I was bowled over by this fantastic tale. It is sweet amusing and fun. Having a hero the size of a thumb is a good idea and Tom Thumb's adventures are great, if a little far-fetched. But what are fairy tales for if the can't be a bit fanciful. This is definitely one that all the kids will love.

A quarrel between a giant and a greedy wizard resulting with a curse set upon the giant’s wife to bear a child no bigger than the wizard’s thumb. A son was born soon later and named Tom Thumb. Regardless of its size, he lived a prosperous life with his giant parents until one day a misfortune struck him. His adventures started by he was eaten by a fish, discovered by a cook, worked for the king, and being betrayed by a jealous royal cat. But everything ends well as he reside in a place where everybody is in his size, at the Butterfly Kingdom.

This is the classic children’s fairy story. A young boy has themisfortune to be rather more than extremely vertically challenged. Heonly manages inches, rather than feet. When misfortune and trouble strikes, this littlest of humans must find a way to help everyone.

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