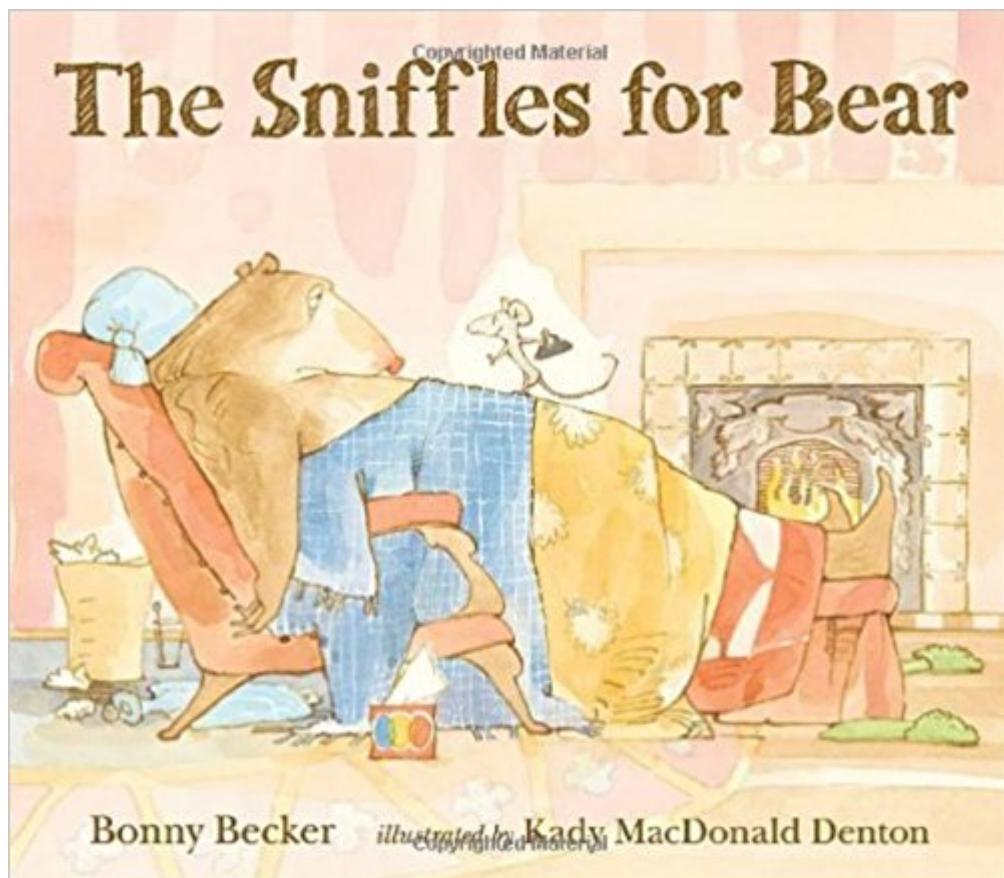


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# The Sniffles For Bear (Bear And Mouse)



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## **Synopsis**

The relentlessly cheery Mouse pushes a cold-suffering Bear to new heights of melodrama in a hilarious new adventure starring the unlikely pair. Bear has a terrible cold. In fact, Bear is quite sure that no one has ever been as sick as he is. So when Mouse comes tap, tap, tapping on his front door eager to make Bear "as good as new" by reading a sunny story, singing a rousing chorus and plinking a twangy tune on her banjo, the pitifully coughing Bear - growing weaker by the minute - is convinced that his tiny friend does not appreciate the gravity of the situation. Can there be any saving Bear from his certain demise? Welcome the world's most lovable curmudgeon and his endearing, unstoppable sidekick in a wry new comedy sure to have even red-eyed, sniffly-nosed readers rolling with laughter.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## **Customer Reviews**

I bought this because my four year old son and I love A Visitor for Bear. I agree with the other reviewer that said diminishing returns with the sequels and another reviewer that it didn't really flow. I wasn't keen on explaining what a last will is to my four year old - he knows all about death, we lost a pet recently and a good friend's grandmother and I wasn't expecting to dive back into the topic

because the discussion lasts for days. When we finally finished the book, my son announced, "That wasn't very good."

I loved "A Visitor for Bear" and was very disappointed with this book. Bear is melodramatic and sick, and keeps talking about how he thinks he is dying. I am scratching my head wondering what the authors were thinking. Unless you want to explain to your child what a "will" is, or why Bear is saying goodbye to Mouse when he's not going anywhere, then I would avoid this one.

I very much liked "A Visitor for Bear" and the other books in this series. Bear and mouse are both delightful and lovable characters, illustrated in a warm welcoming style that displays a broad range of emotions with grace and humor. This book appeals to children without pandering and is humorous for both children and adults. I do not think that I will mind reading it again and again. It is that rare that a series is able to maintain to the same high level that was found with first, especially when such heights were reached with the first volume. Becker has, however, managed to keep this series fresh and lively. This particular book has the added quality that the subject matter makes it a wonderful read for a child who is not feeling well. Parents and children will likely enjoy reading this book again and again.

Sorry I just don't understand explaining dying and having a will to a preschooler. Otherwise it's fine, not a very interesting story and dull ending. I do like the lesson of how the mouse tries to help in multiple ways. Ultimately I glued a few pages together and did some cutting and pasting to get rid of the death part.

Just buy them all- they are fantastic. I buy the entire series for every kid in my life, and love reading them. The characters are fantastic; the illustrations are beautiful. It's truly a book series that adults can enjoy with their children.

This is my husband's and my new favorite book to read to our 3-year-old. We also like A Visitor for Bear, but this one is far funnier. Luckily, our son isn't old enough yet to ask about the will issue. It might be that this is more of an adult book than a kid one, but our son likes it, too.

We all need at least ONE very good friend... and Bear and Mouse find their way to a cherished friendship. This series is a wonderful journey for young - and more mature - readers to discover the

gift of good friends.

Cute story- but not as good as A Visitor for Bear. The story line is a bit redundant from A Visitor for Bear and comes off a little contrived simply because the original theme of grumpy bear + perky mouse may have been milked for all it was worth in the first book. :P still worth a read- but maybe only from your library for free..

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