



The Village School's Children's Book of the Month



'Leave Me Alone'
By Vera Brosgol



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"Leave Me Alone" is a colorful and cheerfully illustrated book by Vera Brosgol. The illustrations have expressive details that bring the story to life. Children of all ages have enjoyed this new addition to the pre-school classroom and it is a fun read-aloud.

A grandmother's life is full of abundance — full of boisterous grandchildren and lots of sweaters to knit. As fall comes and she gets serious about knitting, she is full of distractions from all those grandchildren.

Overwhelmed by it all, she tidied her surroundings, has tea, packs her bag and announces that she wants to be left alone.

She ventures to the forest to knit and meets some hungry, curious bears. Much like her family, she announces "Leave Me Alone!" and leaves.

This cycle continued with mountain goats and on to little green moon-men when she ventures to the sky.

Following a worm-hole she gets exactly what she wants and life is perfect. She gets her knitting finished and realizes how alone she suddenly is. Again she tidies her surroundings and has tea. She then returns to her family without saying a word.

In "Leave Me Alone," the characters reveal their emotions through strongly illustrated facial expressions that at times are hilarious. This is sure to be a family favorite to read aloud over and over again. For preschoolers to second graders and beyond.