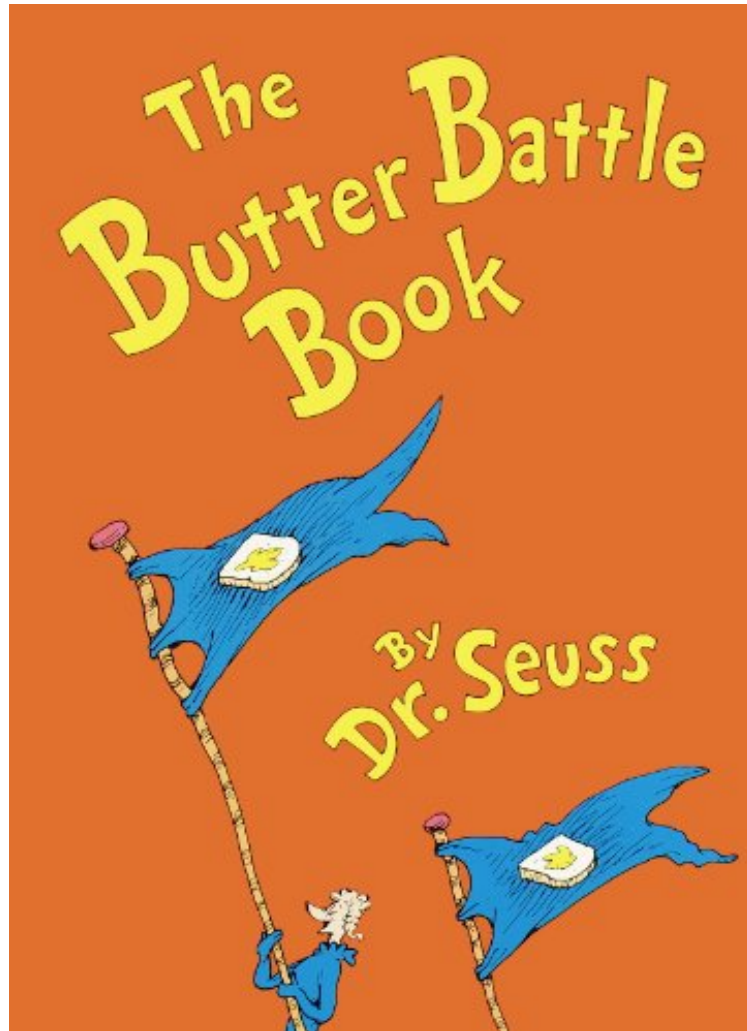


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Von Seuss : The Butter Battle Book (Classic Seuss) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Butter Battle Book (Classic Seuss):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Rather political for little kidsVon rampageous_cussAlthough this book is intended to indoctrinate children into a disapproving view of the arms race it can be read with a rather different moral!The Yooks are an intolerant and aggressive community who oppose the Zooks because of the way they butter their bread. The Yooks direct their military (a morose Yook border guard) to cannonade the Zooks and provide him with an artillery piece. The act of aggression is frustrated, however, when the guard is faced by superior Zook technology. The Yooks persist in attempts to devise weapons to bombard Zook settlements but peace prevails because the Zooks maintain military superiority. In the end

the Yooks devise the "Big Boy Boomaroo", a nuclear device, and send their trooper off one last time. However the determination of the lone Zook soldier, armed with a similar device, results in a nuclear stalemate of indefinite duration. In some ways the story is the perfect illustration of the rationale behind arms escalation and the policy of 'mutually assured destruction'! Nevertheless this is probably not Geisel's intention. I strongly feel that this attempt to define the thinking of very young children is EXTREMELY inappropriate and would consign this story, like Geisel's equally tendentious "The Lorax", to adult readers.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.
 Eins der grten aller Bilderbcher
 Von Ein Kunde
 Ein weiteres Meisterwerk des grten Kinderbuchautors aller Zeiten.
 Zunchst ist es eine "lustige" Geschichte ber die Yooks und die Zooks, die sich hassen, weil die einen ihr Brot mit der Butterseite nach oben, die anderen mit der Butterseite nach unten essen. Ansonsten unterscheiden sich die beiden Vlker nur noch durch die Farbe ihrer Kleidung. Aus diesen winzigen Unterschieden und einem harmlosen Streich entwickelt sich ein Wettrennen, bei dem USA und UdSSR selbst in ihren schlimmsten Zeiten vor Neid erblat wren. Das mutige, offene Ende scheint mir fr kleinere Kinder sehr hart zu schlucken zu sein - es ist aber dem Thema durchaus angemessen. Erwachsene werden es nur bewundern knnen. Das Buch entpuppt sich als bissige Attacke gegen Wettrennen und Nationalchauvinismus. Wohl niemand htte dies auf so wenigen Seiten so treffend umsetzen knnen wie der unvergessliche Dr. Seuss. Es erbrigt sich wohl, zu sagen, da seine Zeichnungen und seine charakteristischen Verse auch bei hufigem Lesen immer wieder neue Details bieten. (Dies ist eine .de an der Uni-Studentenrezension.)

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.
 Futility, Folly, and Fear from an Arms Race
 Von Donald Mitchell
 This book is the best satire of an arms race that I have ever seen. It's effectiveness is enhanced because it all starts out at a very silly level of a border guard using his Snick-Berry switch. Then things go wrong because "a very rude Zook by the name of VanItch snuck up and slingshotted my Snick-Berry switch!" The border guard for the Yooks tells his superior. The scientists get to work, and soon an improved weapon (a Triple-Sling Jigger) is available. The Zooks counter again, and so on it goes. The names, characteristics, and illustrations of the weapons are hilarious. Then, just when you are enjoying the folly, the scientists come up with the BITSY BIG-BOY BOOMEROO, which fits in the palm of a hand. Everyone has to get into a shelter underground because it is so dangerous. "Grandpa! I shouted. 'Be careful Oh, gee! Who's going to drop it? Will you . . . ? Or will he . . . ? . . . We'll see. We will see'" To go from that silliness to that horror in such a short number of pages is an amazingly effective job of story telling. The book also explores how such conflicts are caused by lack of communication. There's a wall between the Yooks and the Zooks. Over the years, it gets higher and higher. So they can see a little about each other, but not talk. From what they see, they are astonished that one side eats their bread and butter with the butter-side up, while the other eats with the butter-side down. I thought that was a pretty interesting way to capture the kind of small differences that often lead to border wars. Consider the former Yugoslavian states. The primary drawback of such a story for children is that it is a chilling tale. Visions of mutual destruction are not exactly what I would want to read to a small child just before bed. However, it may be appropriate for some children who are very violent in their play and need to be reined in a little. I would suggest that it be read early in the day, however, even in such a case. For children who are sensitive and easily frightened, this book should probably be read much later in life than age 8. If this were a movie, I would suggest at least a PG-13 rating, and possibly an R. Definitely, every adult should read this book. We still live in a world where these issues are current. I hope that someday this book will seem quaint and obsolete as a characterization of human beings. Until it does, the book should be sharing its message broadly. After you have finished enjoying the book, I suggest that you consider how you can help promote international understanding. Perhaps you can at least find someone to correspond with by e-mail on the other side of the world. Better yet, can you lend a helping hand somehow? Live long and prosper . . . because of friendly, cooperative competition!

Kurzbeschreibung
 The Butter Battle Book, Dr. Seuss's classic cautionary tale, introduces readers to the important lesson of respecting differences. The Yooks and Zooks share a love of buttered bread, but animosity brews between the two groups because they prefer to enjoy the tasty treat differently. The timeless and topical rhyming text is an ideal way to teach young children about the issues of tolerance and respect. Whether in the home or in the classroom, The Butter Battle Book is a must-have for readers of all ages.

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 A cautionary Cold War tale (first told by Dr. Seuss back in 1984), The Butter Battle Book still has a lot to teach about intolerance and how tit-for-tat violence can quickly get out of hand. Explaining the very serious differences between the Zooks and the Yooks, a Zook grandpa tells his grandchild the unspeakable truth: "It's high time that you knew of the terribly horrible thing that Zooks do. In every Zook house and every Zook town every Zook eats his bread with the butter side down!" He then recalls his days with the Zook-Watching Border Patrol, as he gave any Zook who dared come close "a twitch with my tough-tufted prickly Snick-Berry Switch." But when the Zooks fought back, the switches gave way to Triple-Sling Jiggers, then Jigger-Rock Snatchems--even a Kick-a-Poo Kid that was "loaded with powerful Poo-a-Doo Powder and ants' eggs and bees' legs and dried-fried clam chowder." With lots of fun and more-than-fair digs at the runaway spending and one-upmanship of U.S.-Soviet days, The Butter Battle Book makes a chuckle-filled read whether you're old enough to get the

historical references or not. (And with all the Bitsy Big-Boy Boomerangs still in service, this book's message is far from obsolete.) (Ages 4 to 8) --Paul Hughes *Pressestimmen* "Dr. Seuss chronicles the feud between the Yooks and the Zooks from slingshots through sophisticated weaponry, until each side has the capacity to destroy the world. The language amuses, the drawings are zesty and humorous, and the demand for this book will be large." --School Library Journal. "Provocative, packs an allegorical punch. The parade of increasingly elaborate (and ridiculous) armaments makes a telling point." --Booklist.