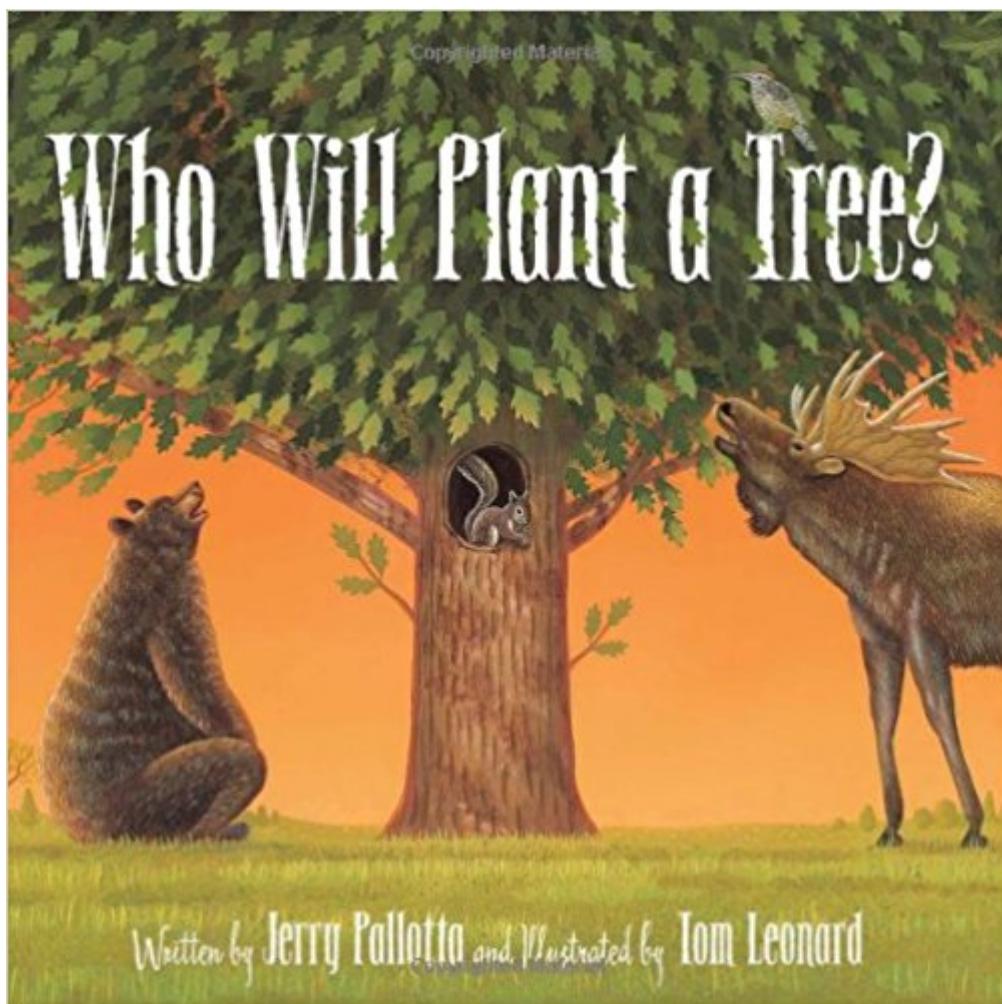


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# Who Will Plant A Tree?



## **Synopsis**

A squirrel buries an acorn. A dolphin pushes a coconut into an ocean current. A camel chewing a date spits out the seed. What do they all have in common? Each one, in its own way, has helped to plant a tree. In myriad ways and diverse environments, Mother Nature is given a hand in dispersing seeds that eventually grow into trees. From the apple seeds falling off the sticky fur of a black bear to the pine seed carried by an army of ants marching to their anthill, creatures great and creatures small participate in nature's cyclical dance in the planting of a tree. Jerry Pallotta, author of more than 50 children's books, visits at least 150 schools each year. His book, *The Icky Bug Alphabet Book*, has sold more than one million copies. He is a contributor in Jon Scieszka's book, *Guys Write for Guys Read*. He lives in Needham, Massachusetts. Tom Leonard's children's book art combines a folk-art sophistication with a scientifically realistic interpretation. He was the illustrator for a collection of Margaret Wise Brown's previously unpublished poetry, *Under the Sun and the Moon*, winning praise in *School Library Journal* and *Publisher's Weekly*. He lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

PreSchool-Grade 2â "I wonder who will plant a tree?" begins this glowingly illustrated meditation on the interconnectedness of Earth's creatures. Each spread features an animal in a different habitat

that, by simply going about its everyday activities, unknowingly plants a tree. A squirrel buries an acorn, a dolphin playfully pushes a coconut onto an island beach, ants march a pine nut into their tunnel, and an owl eats a mouse that had dined on an elm tree seed, then coughs up a pellet that puts that seed back into the ground. The range of habitats and animals shown is impressive, from monkeys throwing figs in the jungle to River fish excreting seeds from their fruit dinners. Pallotta makes a point of including humans, too, as a teacher and her class plant trees on a field trip. With simple, rhythmic language and engaging illustrations, this book encourages readers to see how the actions of each creature impact the Earth. An excellent accompaniment to science

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â œel wonder who will plant a tree?â • begins this attractive picture book on seed dispersal. In each of the double-page spreads, an animal helps move a seed that germinates and sprouts as a seedling tree. A squirrel buries an acorn, ants carry a pine nut underground, an owl coughs up a pellet after eating a mouse that had eaten elm seeds, and students on a field trip plant seedlings. Occasionally the wording is less than precise: after a fish in the River eats fruit, the text reads, â œThis fish poops and trees are planted all over the rainforest,â • which is something of an overstatement in terms of cause and effect. But the short, simple text and often-handsome, colorful artwork work well together to convey the bookâ ™s theme. Although JoAnn Early Mackenâ ™s *Flip, Float, Fly: Seeds on the Move* (2008) remains the go-to picture book on this topic for young children, libraries may want to add this one as well. Preschool-Grade 3. --Carolyn Phelan

What a sweet story with real science details! Adorable illustrations.

Great resource for understanding the distribution of seeds. Good information for kids!

I bought this to read to my daughter's Daisy Girl Scout Troop for Earth Day. It was a big hit! It is simple and easy to understand and kept their interest. It discusses the ways in which animals (including us humans!) help spread seeds and plant trees. They loved the ending which shows a pile of elephant poop and asks the question, "Did an elephant plant a tree?". They had a lot of fun discussing the answer!

Great

Cute story for earth day.

This lovely book is a terrific way to introduce young readers to the cycles of nature. It is engaging and fun to read and the illustrations by Tom Leonard are just incredible and add so much to the story.

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My Kinder kids will love this book. It's cute and will make kids want to pay attention and hear it more than once.

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