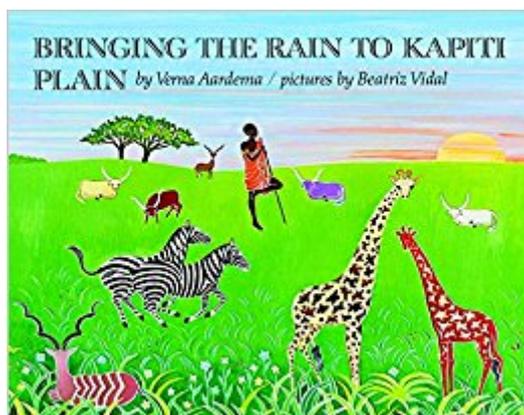


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# Bringing The Rain To Kapiti Plain



## Synopsis

A cumulative rhyme relating how Ki-pat brought rain to the drought-stricken Kapiti Plain. Verna Aardema has brought the original story closer to the English nursery rhyme by putting in a cumulative refrain and giving the tale the rhythm of "The House That Jack Built."

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

Verna Aardema (1911-2000) was a highly acclaimed storyteller and the author of many books of African folktales. Her book, *Who's in Rabbit's House?*, illustrated by Leo and Diane Dillon, was an ALA Notable Children's Book and a School Library Journal Best Book of the Year, 1977. *Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears*, also illustrated by the Dillons, was awarded the Caldecott Medal in 1976 and was chosen as an ALA Notable Children's Book, as was a third Aardema-Dillon collaboration, *Behind the Back of the Mountain*.

This was the first book my daughter, Theresa, asked me to buy for her! I heard her pleading for the book over a week. B&N, Crown, and Borders were out (this was pre-), so I went to the expensive store and found it. I read it to her that night, three times, and she kept requesting it every single night for about four months, she was three, and I was tired. I told her that I wanted to read her

something new and she consented. For about the next month or two, I mixed it up, she had books to fill two shelves. But after she listened to the 'new' book, she would get "Bringing the rain..." and I would find it on her quilt the next morning. A very funny thing started to happen, my books started showing up on her quilt. She told me that she liked my books but my copy of "Canterbury Tales" was weird and she had trouble reading the words. When I asked her what she was talking about, she again answered "I couldn't read the words, they looked weird. Long story short, she had memorized all the words in her book and used those to teach herself to read other books. One of the things I'm most proud of her is, her great love/need to read. I owe my great love of reading to my parents, so glad to pass it on. By the way, she couldn't make out the words in "Canterbury Tales" The reason was because it was written and printed in Old English.

My favorite book from my childhood. That one was dropped through a porch so I was so glad had this book. I love reading it to my young son as the rhyming is good for his age (6 months)!

Our 2 1/2 year old loves this book. We originally borrowed it from the library, but after returning it he kept referring to it so we ordered it from . It is memorable, relatable, and has beautiful illustrations. This household recommends it!

I am a teacher and I use this book in class. It covers so many learning targets and it keeps my second graders' interest.

This is one of my very favorite children's books. So lyrical and beautiful. My kids pretty much know it from memory and so do I. Share this with a child you love!

This story was cute. If you are looking for something fun for a 6 or 7 year old to read that is interesting and multicultural, this story is a good choice. It is also a good book for reading comprehension, especially since the pictures represent the words very nicely.

I just loved this book from my childhood

Our Organization, Young Performing Artists (YPAs), Inc., offers youth enrichment programs featuring history, culture and heritage using 'the arts' to enhance the learning experience. This book will complete our 'story time' hour. We ordered; it was shipped and we're pleased.

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