

Old Possum S Book Of Practical Cats Illustrated Edition

'The cat himself knows and will never confess...' To celebrate Old Possum's 75th anniversary we have commissioned lively new illustrations from Rebecca Ashdown for T.S. Eliot's original book of Practical Cats. Featuring Macavity, the Mystery Cat; Mr Mistofelees, the Original Conjuring Cat; Mungojerrie and Rumpelsteazer and all the gang, this is a must for every child's bookshelf and is a great companion to the Andrew Lloyd Webber stage show.

A stunning new gift edition of this much-loved classic, with the celebrated black-and-white illustrations by Edward Gorey. Cats! Some are sane, and some are mad. Some are good, and some are bad . . . The whimsical 1982 Old Possum's illustrations have been lovingly restored and are showcased in this beautiful new poetry edition, perfect for children and Eliot aficionados alike. These lovable cat poems were written by T. S. Eliot for his godchildren and continue to delight children and grown-ups. The collection inspired the musical Cats!, and features Macavity, Mr Mistofelees and Growltiger!

A wonderful new picture book version of one of T. S. Eliot's most popular cat poems from a timeless magical partnership. We must find him or the train can't start! All aboard as Skimbleshanks, the Railway Cat, stars in the third picture-book pairing from Arthur Robins and T. S. Eliot's Old Possum's cats, set on the Night Mail train

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where Skimble won't let anything go wrong. To sit alongside other classics such as *The Gruffalo*, *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*, and *Spot*. 'Beautifully illustrated to bring the poem to life.' Independent 'A fabulous way to introduce young readers to poetry.' Huffington Post T. S. Eliot's playful cat poems have delighted readers and cat lovers around the world ever since they were first published in 1939. They were originally composed for his godchildren, with Eliot posing as Old Possum himself, and later inspired the legendary musical *Cats*.

First published in 1939, T. S. Eliot's collection of cat poems, written originally to amuse his godchildren and friends, has become one of the all-time favourites of children's literature. NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE! The poems by T.S. Eliot that inspired the movie *Cats*. *Cats!* Some are sane and some are mad and some are good and some are bad. Meet magical Mr. Mistoffelees, sleepy Old Deuteronomy, and curious Rum Tum Tugger. But you'll be lucky to meet Macavity because Macavity's not there! In 1925 T.S. Eliot became co-director of Faber & Faber, who remain his publishers to this day. Throughout the 1930s he composed the now famous poems about Macavity, Old Deuteronomy, Mr. Mistoffelees and many other cats, under the name of 'Old Possum.' In 1981 Eliot's poems were set to music by Andrew Lloyd Webber as *Cats*, which went on to become the longest-running Broadway musical in history and is now a film starring Taylor Swift, Idris Elba, Judi Dench, Ian McKellan, Rebel Wilson, Jennifer Hudson, Jason Derulo, Francesca Hayward, and James Corden. With illustrations by Rebecca Ashdown. Contains full color photographs of scenes from *Cats*, lyrics and dialogue, with production notes.

Macavity' (the mystery cat!) is one of the best-loved poems from T. S. Eliot's "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats - "the

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inspiration for "Cats: The Musical -" beloved by generations of children and their parents. Now, Macavity is given a new life in this stunning picture book with illustrations from Arthur Robins that perfectly convey all the wit and humor of Eliot's creation. Perfect for ages 3+, children (and parents) will love reading aloud about T.S. Eliot's best-loved cat. To sit alongside other classics such as "The Gruffalo," "The Tiger Who Came to Tea," and Spot.

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Mungojerrie and Rumpelteazer were a very notorious couple of cats. As knockabout clowns, quick-change comedians, tight-rope walkers and acrobats. And when you heard a dining-room smash Then the family would say: 'It's that horrible cat! It was Mungojerrie! and Rumpelteazer!' - And there's nothing at all to be done about that! Join the cat-burglars Mungojerrie and Rumpelteazer in the fifth picture-book pairing from Arthur Robins and T. S. Eliot's Old Possum's cats, as they steal meat from the oven and pearls from the drawers.

The naming of Cats is a difficult matter, It isn't just one of your holiday games; You may think at first I'm as mad as a hatter. When I tell you, a cat must have THREE DIFFERENT NAMES. First of all, there's the name that the family use daily, Such as Peter, Augustus, Alonzo or James, Such as Victor or Jonathan, George or Bill Bailey - All of them sensible everyday names. So begins one of the best-known poetry collections of all time. The practical cats need no introduction,

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but this stunning new full-colour version, illustrated by Julia Sarda, is the perfect companion to Old Toffer's Dogs. Whether you are a cat or a dog person, you will be enchanted and impressed by Julia's highly original interpretation.

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