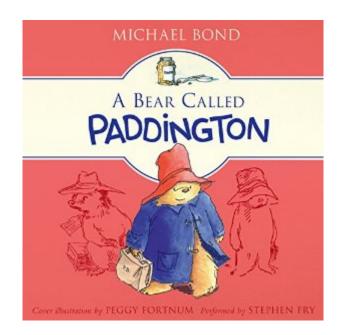
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# **A Bear Called Paddington**





## Synopsis

Paddington Bear had traveled all the way from Darkest Peru when the Brown family first met him on Paddington Station. Since then their lives have never been quite the same...for ordinary things become quite extraordinary when a bear called Paddington is involved.

### **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

This is one of the most delightful children's books ever. I listened to my mom (Ann)read the Paddington books to my younger brother and was hooked. When I was younger, I remember my mom telling me about the bear on tv who liked marmalade but was never interested in him until I heard the stories. The stories often ended in tears- we would laugh so much. Well, I guess this is less of a review than it is a recommendation. With all of the worthless children's literature out there, this one stands out.

Classic story of Paddington the Bear who comes to live with the Brown family in London. Most children know the stuffed animal but haven't heard the escapades. This issus is a welcome addition to children's libraries. Very good, humorous, fun animals, with good black and white illustrations. Recommended for K through the 4th grade students.

My daughter read this book for school and truly enjoyed it. Although only 8 and there were some challenging words and concepts, she was enamored with Paddington and all his silly antics. Now the stuffed animal has better meaning for all of us at home.

We LOVE this CD set! I bought it 2 years ago for my daughter to listen to for naps and bedtime, and now at age 5 she's STILL asking for it every night. I like the fact that both CDs are over an hour long, she likes that there are several stories on each CD to keep her attention. The plots aren't too complicated for her to follow, but they do force her to pay attention and focus on the cd, which is key for naptime. :) Stephen Fry's voice is wonderfully soothing to listen to, and he does a great job of distinguishing between the various characters -- key for books on CD!As she's gotten older Caroline has begun to appreciate some of the silliness that is Paddington, but the stories are nicely entertaining even without that element. We parents don't mind listening to Paddington in the car when we're on trips. All in all, I say this CD set is well worth this money, it's one that will really grow with you!!

In this second Paddington Bear book, we have a series of adventures that occur between the Summer holidays and Christmas, as Paddington finds himself in trouble with the Browns, Mr Curry, and even the police. As usual, Michael Bond and Peggy Fortnum do an excellent work in this book as the illustrations and text work very well together, and transfer very well on the Kindle. To me that device is just a treat since it allows me to have in my pocket the whole Paddington Bear series, without having to carry a huge bag wherever I go.Of my favourite stories, I'd say that the Bonfire and the Christmas ones were much funny to read, and that the one involving the police was excellent as you see Paddington trying to solve two mysteries which happened in 32 Windsor Gardens.A great purchase for everyone ready to give a chance to a bear coming all the way from Darkest Peru.

Winnie the Pooh and friends have been perfectly fine as characters in the kids' early picture books. Calm, cheerful, mildly message driven, and with just the right touch of silliness and adventure. But, they can only carry you so far. Enter Paddington. A very similar vibe, but more advanced character, story, vocabulary and concept. And how many early reader/read-to/read-with books can you call charming and droll? And never dopey, (and I mean you, Amelia Bedelia), or cranky or precociously rude. Now sometimes we want silliness or adventure or broad jokes or fantasy, but for some of the quieter times, this really does have an honored place.

Michael Bond is always wonderful - and he is again in this audiobook.Excellent reading, easy to listen to and captures your attention. Even my teen boys don't mind listening in when their younger

siblings are playing this. Highly recommend - not only for the story, the voice, but also for the music and how well this was formatted and produced. Overall and excellent product. We have also ordered several other audiobooks with Michael Bond and the same production company because they are so well done.

The seventh Paddington book includes the following stories: A Bear at Sea, Anchors Away, Paddington Buys a Share, A Visit to the Stock Exchange, Paddington in a Hole, Too Much off the Top and Paddington Steps Out. My favorite of these are Paddington Buys a Share, A Visit to the Stock Exchange and Anchors Away. In this adventure Paddington comes back to England from his visit to Peru with his Aunt Lucy. While back in England he gets a job at a barber shop, buys a stock and goes to Judy's school and ends up performing in a ballet. It's your average Paddington book but I felt like it was better than the last few have been.

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