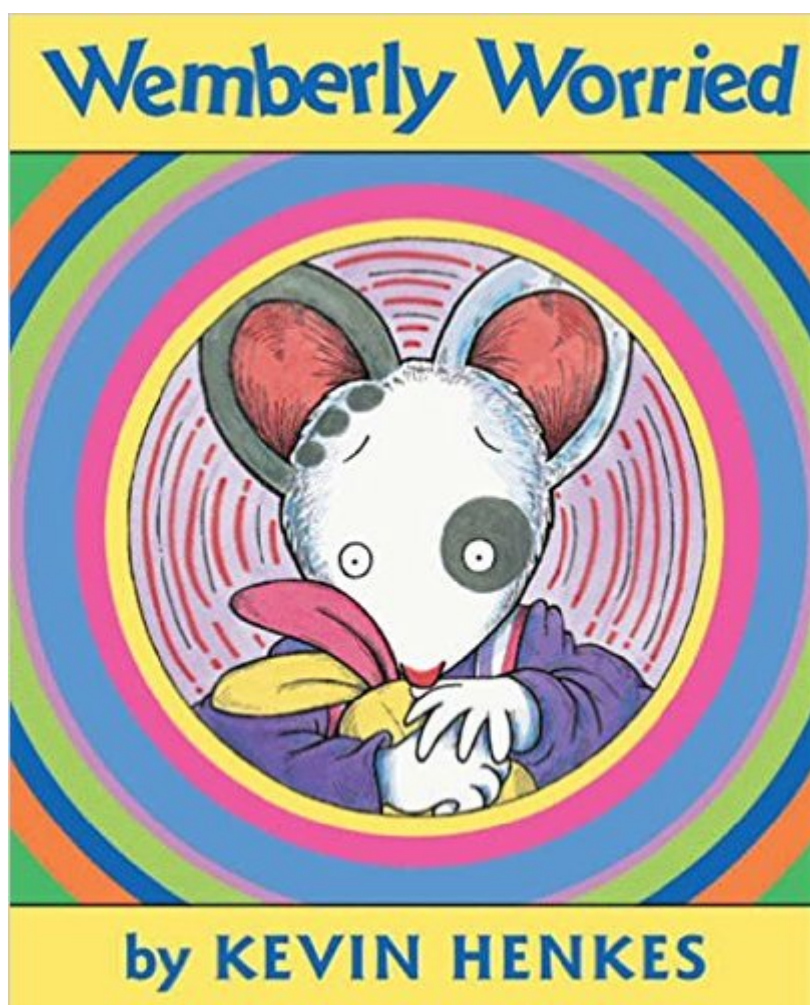


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# Wemberly Worried



## Synopsis

A back-to-school favorite Wemberly worried about spilling her juice, about shrinking in the bathtub, even about snakes in the radiator. She worried morning, noon, and night. "Worry, worry, worry," her family said. "Too much worry." And Wemberly worried about one thing most of all: her first day of school. But when she meets a fellow worrywart in her class, Wemberly realizes that school is too much fun to waste time worrying!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Poor Wemberly, she worries about everything...big, little and in between. And what she's worried about most, is her first day of nursery school. Never fear, her teacher, Miss Peachum, knows just how she feel and introduces her to Jewel. Jewel worries about everything too. No one understands and expresses a child's feelings better than Kevin Henkes. His writing is true to life with a simple, gentle message. His illustrations, detailed and very expressive and best of all, he lets your pre-schooler know...You're not alone out there. This is a terrific new story you youngster(s) will want to hear again and again and a great addition to all home libraries.

Kevin Henkes is one of my daughters favorite authors, and I have to say, for the under 5 reading I have to do, he's one of mine too, especially after reading this book. I bought it especially because my daughter, like Wemberly, is very worried about starting her new school. When she heard Wemberly was worried about that, she said "I'm worried about that too, Mommy." Right then, I knew I had bought a great book. We read it over and over and it gives her great comfort to know that she is not the only child who worries. The best thing is Wemberly gets to school and makes a new friend. The experience is positive and all the things that she worried about did not happen. This is a great message for all kids (I think it's rare that a four year old child would not worry about certain things). Aside from a great message, the story has good humor and Henkes wonderful illustrations. I am so glad I got this book for my daughter, we read it at least 4 times before bed each night. Happy reading.

Poor little Wemberley worries about everything! And her first day in kindergarten is quickly approaching. This, of course, is very worrisome for Wemberley, but she soon finds that school isn't so intimidating. This is the newest book from Henkes, who also wrote Julius, Baby of the World, which I love. If you have a small child who worries frequently, or if you have a child who is frightened by the prospect of entering school, this would be a great book for you. The illustrations are vivid and typical of all of Henkes books; I especially love the bright yellow cover! I would recommend it for ages 3 and up- it's not too wordy to read to the tiny ones. A great book!

Add Wemberly to the long list of Kevin Henkes' loveable characters. She worries about lots of things, but finds in the end, that her biggest worry (SCHOOL!) is nothing to worry about. Children of all ages will identify with Wemberly's knack for concern, but will enjoy experiencing the lovely way the adults in her life help her cope. Thank you Kevin Henkes, for another book about real feelings disguised in adorable entertainment.

In Kevin Hanks thoroughly charming picturebook Wimberly Worried, Wemberly the mouse worries about everything, all the time, everywhere. Even though her parents and her friends try to reassure her and tell her not to worry. Kevin Henkes deftly writes and colorfully illustrates a delightful little picturebook tale will thoroughly entertain young readers even as it assures them that they, too, need never worry about everything, all the time. Other highly recommended "mouse" books by Kevin Henkes for young readers include Lily's Purple Plastic Purse; Owen; Chrysanthemum; Julius, The Baby Of The World; Chester's Way; Sheila Rae, The Brave; and A Weekend With Wendell.

The book *Wemberly Worried* by Kevin Henkes is a good book for the early developing reader or for story-telling to your young child with anxiety about school. The book focuses on a little mouse girl who, as the title states, worries about everything. She worries about the jungle gym at the park, her rabbit doll, and many other everyday occurrences. Henkes uses very colorful and descriptive pictures so as to help out young readers make a correlation between the words and their meanings. Henkes also uses repetition to hold the young readers attention and to emphasize the fact that Wemberly worries about everything. The book gives children a good view of school and makes them excited to attend school, have fun, and make new friends. This book is good for the parents who may be worried that their kids will not like school or for kids who have already expressed their fears of leaving their parents for school. However, the book is not suited for kids that have already experienced school and have realized that it is not very scary and that they like it. All in all, *Wemberly Worried* is an excellent book to buy to ease your child's anxiety about school or other things they may worry about.

We love Kevin Henkes. Our 6-year-old came home from school and begged for this book after reading it in his 1st grade classroom. I also use this story in my preschool classroom when we're talking about feelings and new places. Great book!

Wemberly (a little girl mouse, despite the masculine sounding name) is a worrier. My oh my how she worries. It's amazing the girl can even get out of bed in the morning, she's so wracked with worries morning, noon, and night. She doesn't take the advice of her grandmother half as much as she should. Her grandmother (a sweatshirt wearing, roller-blade enjoying, high-tops sports shoe figure) is constantly advising Wemberly that she is carrying, "Too much worry". And on top of everything Wemberly is about to go to school for the first time. Rest assured that by the end of the tale, Wemberly's worries have at last been put to rest. I've always liked Kevin Henkes's portrayal of fathers in his picture books. I like his other characters as well, of course, but Henkes just has dad's down pat. Take a gander at the dad in "*Wemberly Worried*" for example. Here's a nice pot-bellied father mouse (usually seen in close conjunction with the mother mouse) wearing different colored vests and striped shirts. Be sure to spot the special Halloween bat vest he sports as well! He's great. And so is the book. Fans of Henkes's other mouse based picture books won't be disappointed with this one. The clever child might even locate a disguised Lily and little brother Julius (two of Henkes's best creations) hidden in one the pages. This book is a good choice for the

child that shows a little reluctance towards that first day of school. Though Lily finds her solution through a similar friend, there are other ways of dealing with scary times in school. Be sure to pair this book with other first-day-of-school stories for a well-rounded view of that undoubtedly worrying time.

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