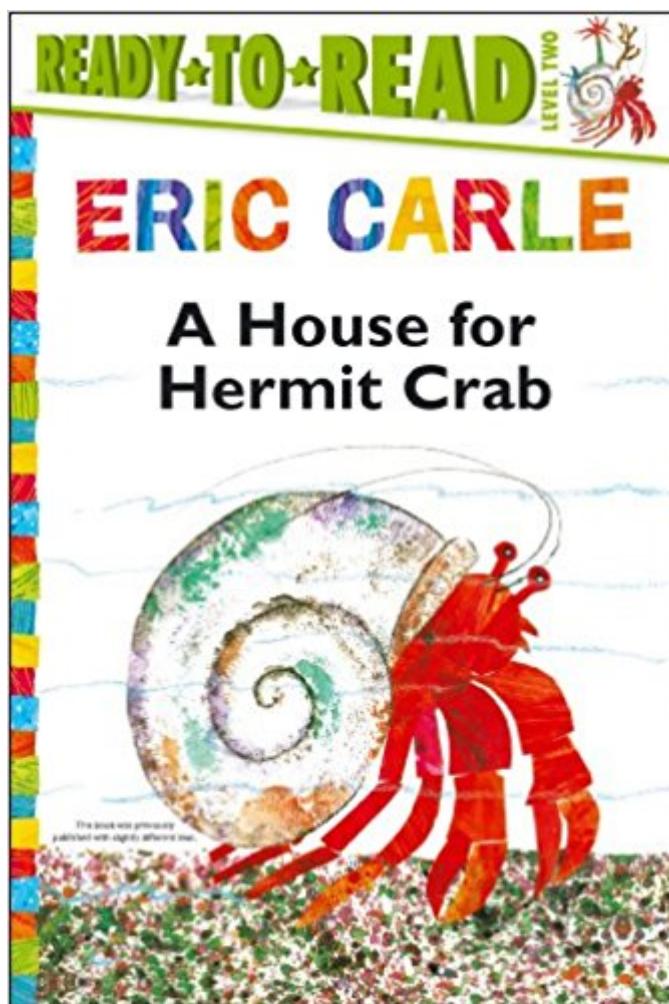


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# A House For Hermit Crab (The World Of Eric Carle)



## Synopsis

Hermit Crab seeks the perfect home "and learns to appreciate change" in this Ready-to-Read edition of Eric Carle's beloved story. In this classic story from Eric Carle, Hermit Crab grows out of one house after another as he searches for the perfect home. Children who must change schools, move to a new town, or even graduate to a new grade in school will relate to Hermit Crab's situation and take heart as they see that growing up isn't really so scary after all. Filled with whimsy and wisdom and based on the true behaviors of the hermit crab, this modern classic features Eric Carle's trademark vibrant collage illustrations and lively text that has been adapted into a Level 2 Ready-to-Read edition, making it ideal for newly independent readers.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 7 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 2

## Customer Reviews

"Time to move," said Hermit Crab one day. "I've grown too big for this little shell." Much-loved master of cut-paper collage Eric Carle created A House for Hermit Crab to comfort any little ones (okay, and adults, too) who dread change--whether the new shell is a new home, a new school, or a new experience. In this soothing, upbeat story, Hermit Crab casts his eyestalks on a newer, bigger shell, but it seems plain and unwelcoming at first. When he meets some beautiful, swaying sea anemones, he asks if one of them will come to adorn the outside of his shell. In time a colorful sea

star, some coral, an industrious sea snail, a fortress-protecting sea urchin, and an illuminating lantern fish all join forces with him, making his house a home. Much to his dismay, just when his dwelling and new family fit him to a T, he finds he's physically outgrown his shell yet again. Instead of bemoaning his fate, he eagerly spots a newer, bigger shell--to him a fresh, blank artist's canvas--and relishes the thought of all the undersea home-improvement possibilities: sponges, barnacles, clown fish, and more! Kids will love Carle's rich, affectionate portrayal of Hermit Crab's ocean odyssey, and the gentle story may help them see that giving up the old for the new is not a loss, but an opportunity. (Ages 4 to 8) --Karin Snelson --This text refers to the School & Library Binding edition.

Hermit Crab moves out of his small shell on the sea floor, in search of a new residence. When he finds a bigger place, a sea anemone offers to move in with him; a starfish agrees to decorate the joint. A snail and a sea urchin are employed for cleaning and protection, a lantern fish for lighting and smooth pebbles are used for a wall. Hermit lives happily for a while, until it is time to move again, to a still larger place. Carle's underwater neighborhood is snug, dynamic and full of possibilities. Droplets of color enrich the sea bottom and blades of seaweed are superimposed on the bright white background, in pictures that are occasionally quite abstract, but always engaging. All ages. Copyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the School & Library Binding edition.

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Really good book.

I love Eric Carle's illustrations that go along with his stories. This book is fun to look at and fun to read. I bought it for my four-year-old, but ended up taking it to my first grade class instead. It's not that my four-year-old didn't like it, it was that it was a little too long to hold his full attention. My four-year-old did enjoy looking at the pictures the most. My first graders love Eric Carle books and they were thrilled to add this to our collection of his books. I found it on [for next to nothing](#). I got the book in the mail just nine days after the purchase was made and the used book was in such great condition that it looked brand new. Thanks Eric Carle! Thanks !

My youngest daughter had this book when she was little and enjoyed it so much that I just bought it

for my grandchildren (her niece and nephews). They also enjoy the process of decorating Hermit Crab's new found home (shell). And where it all leads.

i was more disappointed about the size of the book. the book is only about the size of my hand it's a really tiny book, more like a pocket type book. i was expecting a larger book. i think maybe they should be the size of the book by the title. other than that it's a good book. i used to teach preschool and i would read this book all the time, a larger version than this.

Super good book! Child loves it!

I didn't realize it was a miniature book, which could have been my mistake, but I felt that the fact that the book is 3 inches tall should have been emphasized in the product description. I was disappointed the book was too small to use for a read-aloud book and, also, too small to adequately showcase Carle's artwork for the single reader.

The story is written in extremely small type and makes it hard to read to a small child who wants to see the pictures. The pictures are small and boring. The story drags.

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