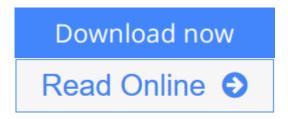
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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

PreS-Gr 2-Nobody knows what's become of Monkey except the preschooler who packed him, tail protruding from the zipper of her suitcase. And so Brown begins this brilliant little book that weaves a Knuffle Bunnyesque narrative into an expository introduction to air travel. It's raining in the city, and a mixed-race family of four take a cab to the airport on their way to see the grandparents. The first page shows a single car on a long, flat drive to their destination, but the page turn opens up to the chaos of the airport itself. Brown bumps up our interest by following several groups of passengers as she takes readers through the procedures and places in an airport, from drop-off to pick-up. There's the soccer team, a cranky old woman and her complacent husband, and a family of look-alike redheads. At check-in, security, and the gate and on the plane, careful readers will notice Monkey making a parallel journey. Each page offers a simple narrative reflection of the India ink and watercolor illustrations in text small enough not to distract from the page's visual impact. Well-placed speech bubbles create personalities for an airport's vast cast. The girl and her monkey are reunited at the end of the trip, and readers have learned what to expect when they fly. Planes fascinate children, and there is no shortage of books to develop that interest. There's always room for one more, especially one this good. VERDICT A must-buy for most libraries.-Lisa Lehmuller, Paul Cuffee Maritime Charter School, Providence α (c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

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"Amusing Easter eggs abound, and Brown's calm delineation of the mysteries and mundanities of air travel should reassure reluctant travelers. "?Publishers Weekly

About the Author

Lisa Brown is the *New York Times* bestselling author/illustrator of a number of books for young readers including *How to Be* and *Vampire Boy's Good Night* and *The Latke That Couldn't Stop Screaming*. She also illustrated the critically acclaimed *Emily's Blue Period* for Roaring Brook Press. She lives in San Francisco

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