



WHO IS SCAREDY SQUIRREL?

Scaredy Squirrel is a children's publishing phenomenon. That rare picture book that crosses over to the adult market, this bestseller has been piling up accolades and awards around the world.

- Lemony Snicket says his son quotes Scaredy each morning when arriving at nursery school, "Same old place. Same old nuts".
- Harvard University's Coop Bookstore recommends Scaredy Squirrel as a great graduation gift!
- Rights for Scaredy Squirrel have been licensed around the world and it is available in 8 languages, including Japanese, Serbian, French, Korean, Spanish and Norwegian.
- Scaredy Squirrel was recommended on Richard & Judy, the British television equivalent to Oprah.
- He's even been on the campaign trail as Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty pledged 120 million dollars to Ontario librarians after hearing a grade three student read Scaredy Squirrel.
- For Scaredy Squirrel, Mélanie Watt has received the Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award, the Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator's Award and the inaugural Cybil's Award, the children's and YA bloggers literary award.

The first story in a nutshell: Scaredy Squirrel watches the world from the safety of his tree. If danger threatens, his emergency kit includes antibacterial soap, Band-Aids and a parachute. But when Scaredy Squirrel suddenly finds himself out of his tree, he discovers something truly uplifting.

The adventures of this tightly wound squirrel who is perpetually pushed out of his comfort zone has struck a chord with readers all over the world. Pick up all of Scaredy's adventures today and learn why you should always avoid germs, pirates and walrus.

Mélanie Watt is a children's book author and illustrator who is a self-confessed "Scaredy". Scaredy Squirrel has had rave reviews in the Toronto Star, Montreal Review of Books, Montreal Gazette, Globe and Mail, Chicago Tribune, CNN.com and more. Mélanie's other titles include Chester and Augustine. She lives in Montreal, Quebec.

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