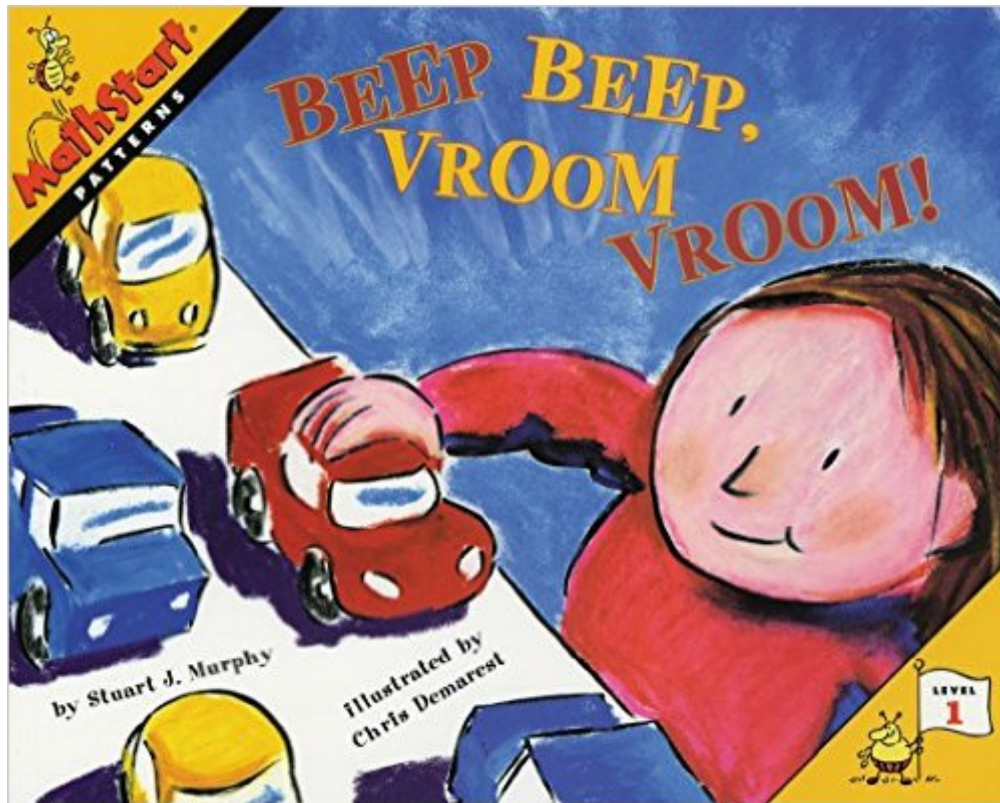


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# Beep Beep, Vroom Vroom! (Great Source Mathstart)



## Synopsis

The yellow cars beep! The red cars vroom! As Molly plays with her big brother's toy cars, readers will see and recognize patterns, an essential first step in learning to reason from the specific to the general. But can Molly put the cars back in the right order before her brother returns?

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

I really want to like this book -- the artwork is clean and colorful, the way the concepts are presented is engaging, and my four-year-old daughter caught on to the key ideas right away. She, however, unfortunately also caught on to another pattern in the book -- one I hadn't noticed at first but was quite disturbed by after she pointed it out. The little girl in the book not only disobeys her older brother and parents four times in a row despite repeated warnings, playing with her brother's toy cars against their explicit instructions, the only consequence to her behavior is that she is rewarded with a set of toy cars of her own at the end of the story! Each time her parents or brother catches her disobeying, there is no consequence for her behavior other than asking her to clean up the cars (but with the implication that this is only being required because her brother is so picky about the arrangement, not because she was in the wrong) -- no apology is required, nor do the parents seem anything other than entertained by her disobedience. It seems silly to be so concerned about

something like this -- shouldn't we just lighten up? -- but the fact is that by bringing this book into our home, we are endorsing its message in a way. I certainly would find the daughter's behavior unacceptable, and explaining this to my own daughter (and answering all her questions about why someone would write the story that way if it wasn't good parenting being demonstrated) detracted significantly from the purpose of the story, learning about patterns. Now if you'll excuse me, I have to go tell those darn kids to get off my lawn! (just kidding)

Children will identify with the backdrop story of a little girl who wants to play with her big brother's toy cars. Her mom and dad try to help her out by putting the cars back in the same special way her brother keeps them (of course, they don't get it right). Finally, she gets the pattern right in the nick of time, and her parents give her a set of her own. The math idea of patterns is the basis of this book, and there are suggestions at the back of the book to help instill the concept. The bright, simple illustrations enhance the book in a happy way. I will be looking for more books in the same series. You have to like a book with an onomatopoeia for a title.

I used this book as a follow-up to our math patterning unit in my Kindergarten class. As I read the book, the students manipulated unifix cubes to copy the various patterns throughout the story. It was a great hit and certainly a good review of the patterning concept.

My children LOVE this book. Don't think that because this is a "math" book it will be uninteresting! The repetition of the car sounds (beep beep, vroom vroom, crash crash) holds even my 1 and 3 year olds attention. It is fun to read and the author gives you some ideas in the back of the book to try while reading the book. You can read it for fun or point out patterns, colors, or even talk about sharing or asking permission. It is a wonderful book for a boy or a girl. I am giving this book as gifts because my girls enjoy it so much.

As I read the book aloud, I always go back to the page where it shows how the big brother had his cars arranged -- in an ABC pattern, and ask the kids, is this the way the little sister should arrange the cars so that she won't get in trouble? The kids love the book! I find there are very few books that teach patterns in an interesting way like this.

One of the best of the math themed stories. The little girl likes cars and she's good at matching patterns. Kids love this story.

Excellent book on patterns, sorting and learning colors. Great for preschool. It arrived on time and in great conditions.

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