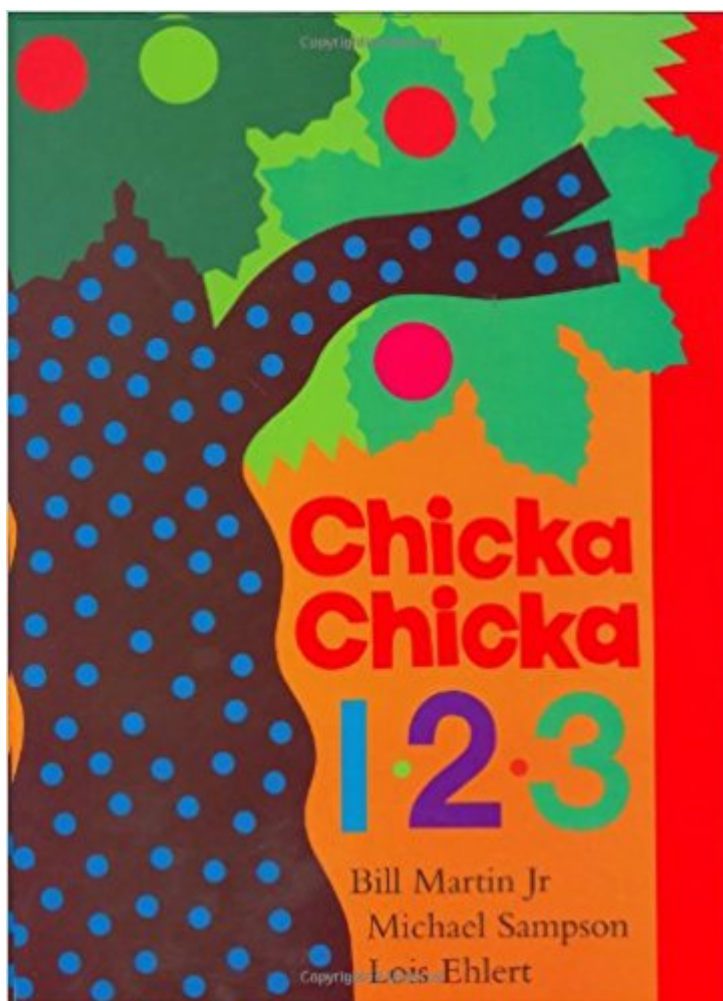


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# Chicka Chicka 1, 2, 3



## Synopsis

1 told 2 and 2 told 3, "I'll race you to the top of the apple tree." One hundred and one numbers climb the apple tree in this bright, rollicking, joyous book for young children. As the numerals pile up and bumblebees threaten, what's the number that saves the day? (Hint: It rhymes with "hero.") Read and count and play and laugh to learn the surprising answer.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

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## Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 2 [Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom](#) (S & S, 1989). The cut-paper art is almost identical to the earlier work, right down to the use of vibrant splashes of color. The layout will also be familiar to that title's many fans. At the center of the story this time, however, is an apple tree. Numerals race to the top with 1, 2, and 3 leading the way. Next come 4, 5, and 6 climbing right behind, but "Chicka Chicka 1, 2, 3 [Will there be a place for me?](#)" asks 0. Page after page, the numbers climb ("Hot pink 12, lucky 13, picking apples, red and green") and they all forget 0 down in the lower right-hand corner. They keep going "until at last there's 99, and all the numbers are feeling fine." Except for 0, that is, who begins to cry once again, "Chicka Chicka 1, 2, 3 [Will there be a place for me?](#)" And, at precisely that moment, a swarm of bumblebees arrives shouting, "GET OUT OF OUR TREE [!](#)" Alas, the counting begins anew, this time backward. And 0, no bad apple, finally discovers his life's calling

and rightful place: at the very top of the tree next to 10, who stayed there all along, becoming 100. This story is a perfect selection for 100th day or Zero the Hero celebrations. A deliciously sweet selection, and a nifty counting book to boot.

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PreS-Gr. 1. Since its first publication in 1989, Martin and Ehlert's Chicka Chicka Boom Boom has delighted preschoolers with its rhyme about an irresistibly rowdy alphabet that scales a tree. Tree-climbing numbers replace letters in this follow-up, which is as visually exciting as the earlier book. Ehlert's cut-paper collages retain the previous title's tropical hues and solid, playful shapes, but the conceptual exercise is more challenging than in the first book, which simply ran, letter by letter, up and down the alphabet. Here the numbers ascend by ones up to 20, after which they switch to intervals of tens (30, 40, 50) until they reach 90, which is followed not by 100, but by 99. Zero follows 99, accompanied by text that may confuse children: "0 lands on top / of the tree, / joins with 10. / Now 100 you see!" Adults will probably need to explain the math; the bright endpapers that count by ones to 100 will help. Despite the tricky concepts, though, the chanting rhyme and eye-popping images have a contagious energy youngsters will find irresistible. Gillian Engberg

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So disappointed in kindle edition! I just downloaded the kindle edition of this book for a little story class on counting which I am teaching this morning. It was a desperate measure since I couldn't make it to the book store. Sadly, the kindle edition is practically useless. It is missing the rhyming words. At first I was just confused and thinking it wasn't as cute or clever as the ABC version. Then I got to the end and saw the back cover of the book which has the rhyming words in tact. Then it all clicked, this is missing words. Nothing rhyme, or very few anyway. Important words like "race y to the top of the apple tree" are missing. I will be contacting for a refund.

If you have a small child then there is a good chance that you will have lived through chicka chicka boom boom - which focuses on the alphabet, this is the companion book with a focus on numbers. My son is 2 years old and we are working through his number identification skills and this is a great teaching aid, you get all the numbers up to 20 and then 30 - 90 are covered in tens. The pacing and tone s designed to capture a small persons ear and the bright colours help keep their attention. Both the start and end of the books have number lines that you can use with your child

when not reading the book (in the same way as boom boom had the alphabet) We have found this really helpful when working on numbers

My daughter was a huge fan of Chica Chica Boom Boom and when I couldn't take another night of it we decided to give this a try. I have to say I was disappointed. In comparison to Boom Boom, this one just feels clunky and like it's trying way too hard. I don't feel like the rhyming works that well and the storyline of the numbers creating 100 is a little confusing for a small child. My daughter always closes the book on me before we can even finish reading it. Not my favorite.

My kid (3 years and 7 months) loves to read chicka chicka boom boom and always sees the chicka chicka 1 2 3 on the back after reading the story. He was very surprised to learn that we could order it and get it in the mail. He loves it! We now have to count all the numbers in the front and back of the book, all the way up to 100! but its a small price to pay and a great learning tool.

A great book for learning numbers! ... But what happened to 99 after the bees attacked?? Since this was left unresolved, one star taken away.

Not as good as chicka chicka boom boom. But I bought it for my kids and they love. They can actually read it because it is all numbers. They read the numbers on the picture more than anything. Good to teach them to count 1-10 than by tens to 90 and 99. They seem to really enjoy it but it doesnt have anything really like a rhyme they can learn to count with.

As a parent, I freaking hate reading this book. It's boring for me, repetitive, irritating to hear coming out of my mouth. But my son LOVES this book, and he's actually finally picking up counting a bit. Maybe you love saying "Chicka, Chicka, 1, 2, 3" on every page. If you do, man, you are going to LOVE this book too! If not, I'd still get it. Of all the annoying books I've read, this is not bad. And it's a hit with the little one.

I made a huge coconut tree and painted it and covered it in contact paper. Then I traced alphabet stencils so that when I read the book, the kiddos can put the letters on the tree. It makes for a great interactive book.

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