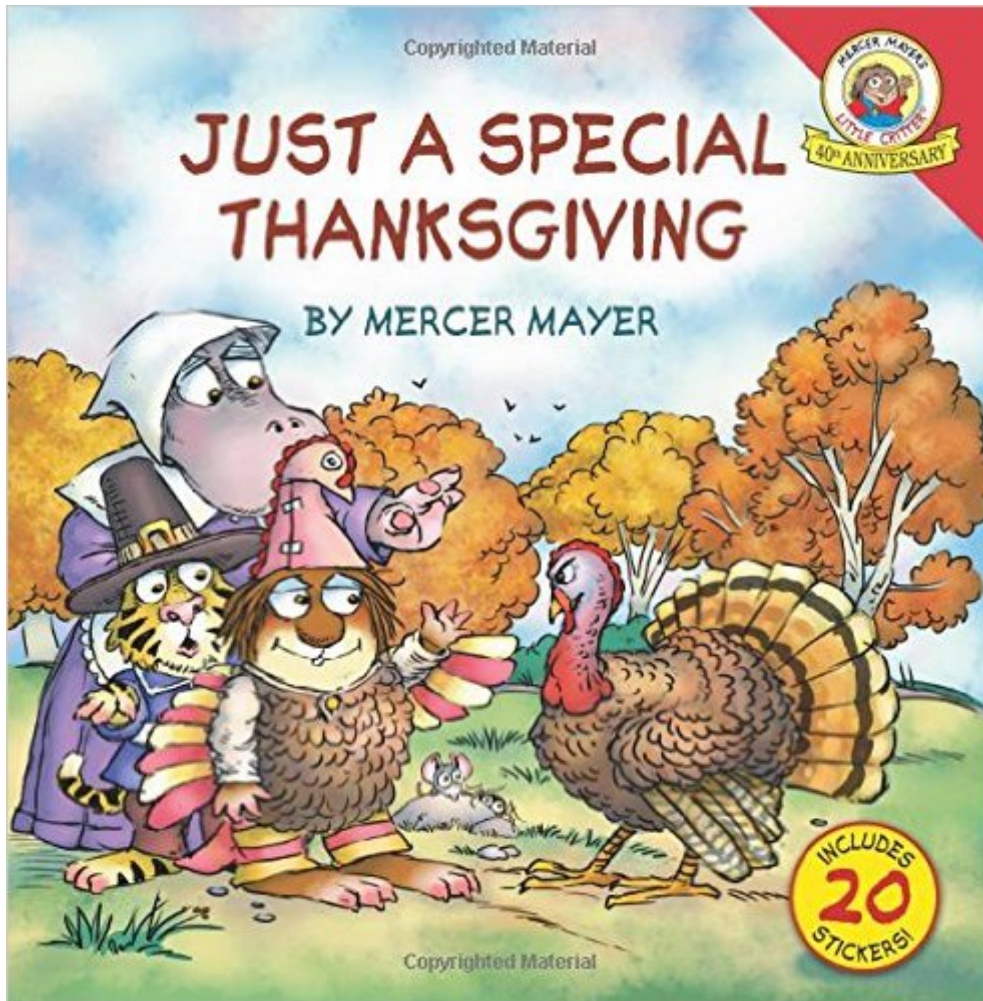


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# Little Critter: Just A Special Thanksgiving



## Synopsis

Little Critter® has charmed readers for over forty years. Now he is going to have a Thanksgiving he'll never forget! From the school play to a surprise dinner for all of Critterville, celebrate along with Little Critter and his family as they give thanks this holiday. Starring Mercer Mayer's classic, loveable character, this brand-new 8x8 storybook is perfect for story time and includes a sheet of stickers!

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

Yet another beautiful book by Mercer Mayer. I am surprised at its cheap price in , not quite fair to the author. I got a copy from Barnes n Noble this time. This story encompasses many aspects of Thanksgiving - a performance at the stage, where Little Critter is the main meal... I mean star of the show :) Then Little Critter goes to the parade where he manages to get in the center of the action, away from his parents, parading away on a float. Finally, the whole town gets together to eat all together a Thanksgiving meal inviting all critters who could not have a good meal. Nice lesson and a message in the end. The pictures wonderful, special, funny as always. Just great :)

As a retired school librarian, in the past I used to moan and groan around Thanksgiving that there were never enough books for little people about Thanksgiving. I am so happy to see a Little Critter thanksgiving book in print. My students always enjoyed Little Critter and he was quite popular with my own children. This is a very cute book with really nice illustrations and such a good story. I like it a lot and so do my grandchildren. I am very pleased to see this book available for young readers. I recommend it highly.

A pretty good children's book. My 3 year old daughter and I enjoy reading it before bedtime. She really likes the reward of getting a sticker every time we finish the story. The book has 20 stickers of things in the story. So that is a nice incentive to have them pay attention to the whole book before they get a reward. I felt like other reviewers that the story does not really explain very much why we celebrate Thanksgiving. The book starts out in a classroom scene it would have been easy to just add 2 pages to that. The story does focus on a school play, town parade, cooking the dinner, and feeding the homeless. So it does cover some ground for a children's story. I agree with some other reviewers as well that Little Critter does not really face any consequences in this story for his actions that is why I would keep this book out of the 5 star range. I grew up with Mercer Mayer stories. I always liked the colorful pages and adventures Little Critter and his family would go on. The books are great for young first time readers not overly wordy with text. The price is very acceptable, I would recommend reading it at the library first before purchasing.

We are big fans of Little Critter and this Thanksgiving book was a hit with my 3 year old daughter, especially because there were stickers too! The stickers were great, all the stickers were from scenes in the book. A very cute story with a sweet message at the end and the illustrations are colorful and there is so much to look at. On each page there is a little black spider and mouse, sometimes they are hard to find so it's fun looking for them on each page with my daughter. I am so happy that these Little Critter books are still around and that they are still publishing new ones. I grew up with these books and now my daughter is growing up with them as well! This book was a great price on , at any other store this book would be \$4.99. For less than \$3 it's a steal, especially since it comes with over 20 stickers! Very happy with this book purchase!

The illustrations are cute and it's an easy read, but I didn't love this book. I haven't read Mercer Mayer books since I was young so this may be a constant theme (and therefore just a silly thing kids know to expect), but I didn't like how the main character kept doing things that the

parents/teachers didn't like (singing instead of reciting lines at the play, dropping stuff at the grocery store, running away from his spot in the parade), but there was no follow up. I didn't expect this to be a book filled with learning moments, but I didn't like the idea that the child kept doing things wrong and got away with it.

We usually LOVE Little Critter books, but I was really disappointed by this book. I expected more a Thanksgiving message, but it doesn't really touch on any of the thanksgiving history or big traditions. Little critter is at school, participates in a play and then helps at a soup kitchen. I liked the ending with them helping at the soup kitchen and feeding less fortunate critters but it wasn't enough for me. It seems like it would be better as an everyday book, not one focused on Thanksgiving.

Emma loves her newest book acquisition "Just a Special Thanksgiving". I sent it to my granddaughter, Emma in Virginia. I am in Utah. She is only 15 months old, but books have a big part in her daily life and she can't get enough book! This one is colorful, entertaining and gives her another opportunity to hold a book in her hand; a habit that will serve her well her entire life.

I didn't really care for this story compared to the older Little Critter books. I didn't feel like there was actually much of a story, with a beginning, middle and end. It had little to now plot and I didn't really think it made a point to the reader about Thanksgiving. The ending was abrupt and didn't really tie into the story. It was just a run on.

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