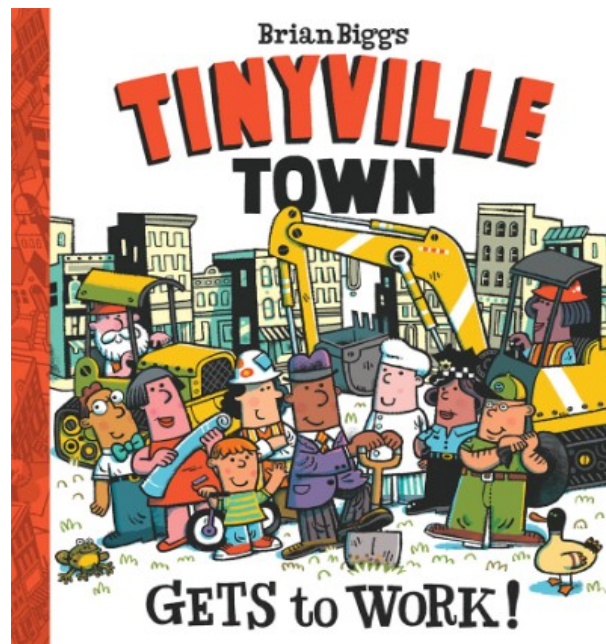


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Children and Young Adult Book Review *Elementary School* **Tinyville Town Gets to Work**

Student Reviewer: Mary Frost Osborne
Educator Reviewer: Kate O'Rourke



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Appleseed.

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Student Review:

I liked this book, and the things I liked best about it were the building of the new bridge, the ribbon cutting, and the “donut truck.” I really liked the illustrations.

*Mary Frost Osborne
Atlanta Classical Academy, Atlanta, GA
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Educator Review:

In this book, the workings of a tiny town are briefly explored. The main characters are the mayor and various professionals. We see from the beginning of the book that the jobs of the townsfolk are very interdependent. When a traffic jam on the bridge occurs, a chain of events begins that keeps everyone from doing their jobs. So the town comes together, solves the problem, and decides to build a bigger and better bridge in order to alleviate traffic. They then plan and build the bridge, showing the process to the reader. Then they come together as a town to celebrate the completion of the bridge with a ribbon cutting ceremony. After the bridge is complete, the town resumes working peacefully.

I chose this because the title was enticing and fun, and I thought the book would appeal to my kindergarteners. I think K-1st grade would be drawn to a book like this. The illustrations are dynamic and beautiful, drawing in the reader.

I can't think of many concerns educators might need to consider before using this book. I think it would be beneficial for the teachers to take time to explain the different professions at work in the story because many young children won't know what a city planner, mayor, or an engineer is. This book is a fun way to introduce those professions.

*Kate O'Rourke
Atlanta Classical Academy, Atlanta, GA
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