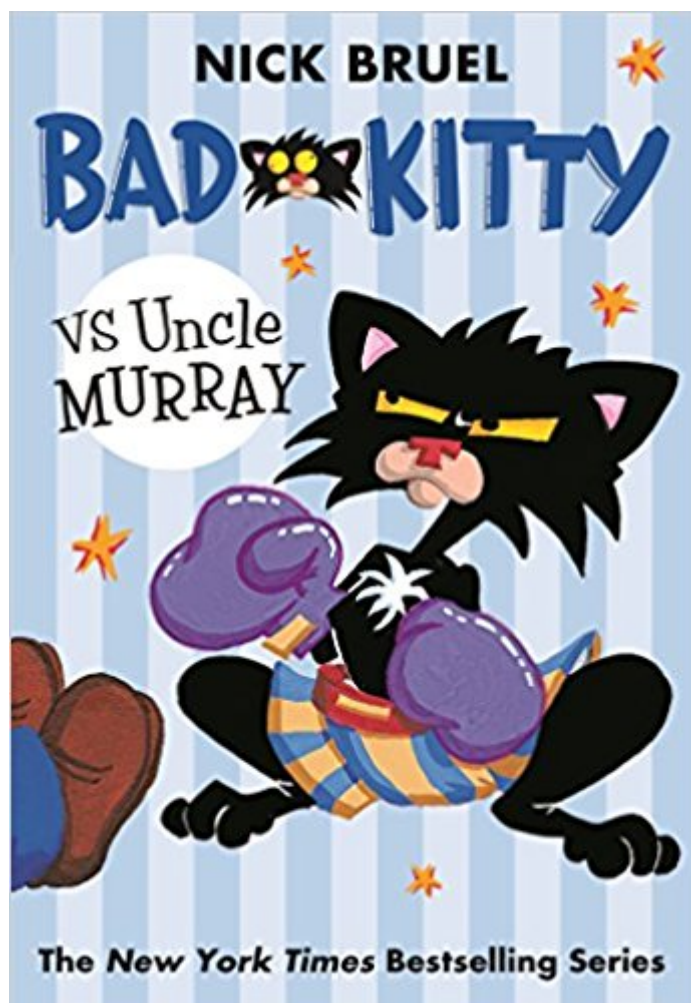




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# Bad Kitty Vs Uncle Murray: The Uproar At The Front Door



## Synopsis

Kitty's owners are taking a week off and leaving Kitty and Puppy at home. So who's going to watch them? Good ol' Uncle Murray, star of the Fun Facts feature of previous Kitty books. The guy you thought knew everything about cats. Think again! It isn't long before Uncle Murray is driven to near madness by shenanigans of epic proportions.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 7 - 10 years

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 2-4 The cantankerous cat is back, and her claws are out in this picture-laden chapter book. Uncle Murray, who has appeared in previous books to give his "Fun Facts" about cats, is here to "pet sit" Bad Kitty and Poor Puppy. The feline is not happy with this arrangement and gives Uncle Murray a horrible time, skittishly jumping out at him when he least expects it. When Murray pulls out the dreaded vacuum cleaner, Bad Kitty bolts out the door and into the street. By the end of the pet-sitting arrangement, a ragged, dirty, glazed Murray keeps repeating wistfully, "fish don't bite or scream or chase you around the house." Different fonts and huge scrawling words appear throughout, and the black-and-white cartoons on every page often show Bad Kitty and Murray with exaggerated gestures. The style gives the book a fast pace and adds to the comedic atmosphere. However, it's Uncle Murray's good-natured

bumbling against Bad Kitty's cranky craziness that will get the giggles going. Carrie Rogers-Whitehead, Kearns Library, UT  
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School Library Journal

Bought this book over a year ago, and to this day, every time we read it, I can't help but burst out laughing. For fans of Bad Kitty, this is Bruel at his best. My daughter has even scripted a play based on BK vs. UM.....guess who gets to be Strange Kitty and who gets to be Uncle Murray.... yes, I will look out for the spatula! :-)

Highly recommend this for avid and reluctant readers alike.

Poor Uncle Murray! He tries so hard to get along with kitty but kitty won't have anything to do with that. I just laughed throughout the entire book!

I have never written a review of a book on before, but I just had to add a comment to this one. Never ever before has my daughter had a book that caused her to break into peals of laughter at each page (and myself as well). Bad kitty is literally a scream. Nervous and crazy, she has an out-of-control imagination and deep-rooted paranoia. Her companion dog always has exactly the same stupid grin on his face, and I assume this depiction is because this is how Bad Kitty sees him. The book's illustrations are minimalistic, still conveying characterizations and frenetic action perfectly. I love how the author changes up the pace, stopping the story at times to explain why a cat acts the way it acts, or to have Uncle Murray explain why he loves animals so much...a story within a story that seems so sweet and genuinely heartfelt, it actually brings a tear to my eye each time I read it. When getting this book, I would definitely recommend the other two in the series, "Bad Kitty Gets a Bath" and "Bad Kitty's Birthday", as it introduces and develops some other characters, like the neighborhood cats, that reappear in "Bad Kitty and Uncle Murray". The new one out... the one about the baby, we will also buy when it comes out. We are now dedicated fans! However, Uncle Murray is far and away the one my daughter likes the best, and I'm actually thinking of getting the hardcover, because our paperback may not stand up to the amount of re-reading this book is going to continue to get, as each person who comes to our house is required by our daughter to

read and enjoy it with her.

The 7 year old loved it. beautifully bound book.

This is a good series for young boys.

A fun read.

My 8 year old isn't crazy about reading even though he's a great reader. He loves all the Bad Kitty books. He thinks they are hilarious.

I have purchased at least five copies of the original Bad Kitty picture book so far, as it is my go-to gift for the youngest readers I know, and it's a book that can hold up to multiple readings. The first two books, Bad Kitty and Poor Puppy, are traditional picture books that cover ABCs and counting. The three books that follow (Bad Kitty Gets A Bath; Happy Birthday, Bad Kitty; and Bad Kitty vs. Uncle Murray) are chapter books that still have many pictures, and are designed to bridge the gap between picture books and traditional chapter books. The Bad Kitty books are hilarious, and Bad Kitty is a great character. In this book, the unseen human owners are going away, and Uncle Murray is left in charge of Kitty and Puppy. Those familiar with Kitty's personality know that this can't end well. Kitty's adventures with Uncle Murray are broken up by Uncle Murray's informational asides about why cats act like they do. Kitty and Uncle Murray do make peace in time for the owners return, and the owners have brought with them something that is sure to make young readers (and this adult reader) very excited for the next book.

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