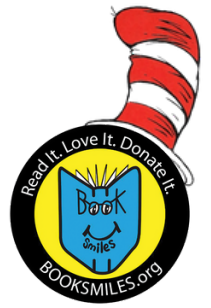




A BookSmiles Read Across America & Dr. Seuss Birthday Challenge



Spare Change for Stories: Vote for your favorite Dr. Seuss Book!

Which book will win? You decide today--
Drop your change and help reading lead the way!

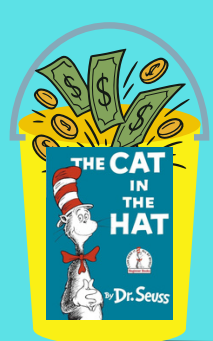
In honor of Read Across America and Dr. Seuss's 122nd Birthday, BookSmiles is hosting a fun, friendly fundraising challenge!

We've selected four classic Dr. Seuss titles and invite our community to vote for their favorite--using spare change!

This challenge runs now through March 13th.


Vote for:

- ✓ Hop on Pop
- ✓ Horton Hears a Who!
- ✓ Oh, the Places You'll Go!
- ✓ The Cat in the Hat



The book that raises the most money wins! All funds raised support BookSmiles' mission to get books into the hands of children who need them most!

Donations can be made the following ways:

- In person at the BookSmiles Book Bank donation jars
- On our website: Scan the QR code  and enter your book title in comments
- Via PayPal, Venmo, or Cash App.



Donate via PayPal:
@Booksmiles

Enter your book choice in the 'add a note' section.



Donate via Venmo:
@booksmiles

Enter your book choice in the 'What's this for' section.



Donate via CashApp:
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Questions? Contact Karen@booksmiles.org

Check out our Classroom Challenge!

Can be used for businesses too!

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 **THE CLASSROOM CHALLENGE** 

Here's how it works:

We invite classrooms of **all grades** to join in the fun by hosting their own Spare Change for Stories: Your Favorite Dr. Seuss Book Challenge

Educators can download the ready-to-use classroom packet to make participation quick and easy.

Students bring in spare change and vote for their favorite Dr. Seuss book by placing their coins in the matching collection can.

How Classrooms Participate:

1. If your class plans to participate, please send an email to info@booksmiles.org with 'Spare Change' in the subject line and we will add your class to the challenge. Please include the following:
 - o School Name
 - o Teacher Name
 - o Grade/Classroom
2. The teacher sets up four collection cans, each labeled with one of the featured Dr. Seuss books.
3. Students bring in spare change and place it in the can for their favorite book.
4. Classrooms may also share the digital giving link with families. (see 1st page)
5. At the end of the collection period, BookSmiles tallies all classroom and community donations to determine the winning book.
6. Drop off or mail your donations* to BookSmiles by Friday, March 20th. (Our address is: 7300 N. Crescent Blvd, Unit 10, Pennsauken, NJ 08110)

**If you can cash in the coins that would be appreciated!



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Classroom Packet – What’s Included

Printable book signs

- One full-color page for each of the 4 featured Dr. Seuss books
- Can be sized to wrap around or tape onto collection cans or jars

Teacher instruction sheet

- Classroom setup steps
- Suggested classroom talking points about literacy and giving
- Timeline for collecting donations

Voting & tally sheet

- Optional tool for students to help count coins and track progress
- Explains the fundraiser
- Includes how families can donate digitally if they prefer

Classroom set up:

1. Set up 4 cans, jars, or buckets in your classroom
2. Attach one printed book sign to each container
3. Place containers in visible area
4. Let students know they can vote for their favorite book by placing their spare change into that book’s container.

Classroom talking points:

1. Every child deserves books in their home.
2. BookSmiles helps provide free books to children and families in our community.
3. Even a few coins can help put a book into a child’s hands.
4. Your dime, plus 100 other students’ dimes, equals \$10 — which can provide one brand-new book for a child, or about 18 gently used books from BookSmiles.
5. (It costs BookSmiles just 59 cents to sort, process, and prepare each donated book in our facility.)
6. Philanthropy means giving to help others.
7. When we give—no matter how small the amount—we are helping our community and showing that we care about other children who may not have books at home.
8. By participating in this challenge, you are being a community helper and making a real difference for other students, just like you.

Timeline for collecting:

**BookSmiles is running the challenge now through Friday, March 13th.
Collected donations requested by Friday, March 20th.**

BookSmiles – Classroom Tally Form

Spare Change for Stories! A Read Across America & Dr. Seuss Birthday Challenge

School Name: _____

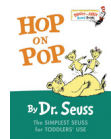
Teacher Name: _____

Grade / Classroom: _____

Collection Dates: _____



Please record your classroom's total donations for each book below.
(Enter the final dollar amount collected in each container.)



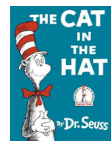
Hop On Pop

\$ _____



Horton Hears a Who!

\$ _____



The Cat in the Hat

\$ _____



Oh, the Places You'll Go!

\$ _____

Classroom Total Donation (all books combined)
\$ _____

(Optional) Number of students who participated
_____ students

At the end of the challenge, please email your results to info@booksmiles.org by March 20th

Thank you!

Your classroom's participation helps BookSmiles provide free books to children and families in our community.





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Why participate?

- It builds a love of reading.
- Students connect books with fun, celebration, and positive action during Read Across America and Dr. Seuss's birthday.
- It teaches philanthropy in an age-appropriate way.
- Students learn that even small gifts can make a real difference for others in their community.
- It supports children locally.
- All funds raised help BookSmiles provide free books to children and families across our region.
- It's easy for teachers to run.
- BookSmiles provides ready-to-use materials, simple instructions, and flexible timing.
- It creates a positive, inclusive classroom activity.
- Every student can participate—whether they bring in a penny or simply help promote the challenge.
- It connects learning to real impact.
- Students see how their combined donations can turn into real books for real children, helping them understand how service and teamwork work in the real world.



THE END

What happens at the end of the challenge?

1. Please email your tally sheet to us at BookSmiles by Friday, March 20th to be included in the challenge: Email: info@booksmiles.org
2. The collected donations: Please drop off, mail, or submit online by Friday, March 20th to be included in the challenge.
 - Drop off in person.
 - Mail a check to BookSmiles, 7300 N. Crescent Blvd, Unit 10, Pennsauken, NJ 08110
 - Make the donation through our secure website (you can keep the coins!) Scan QR to donate.
3. Once all the tallies and donations have been received, we will announce which book received the most donations.
4. We will also announce the classroom who collected the most coins and their winning book.
5. We will send your class a digital certificate for participating.
6. We will give all classrooms/schools/businesses a shout-out on BookSmiles social media.



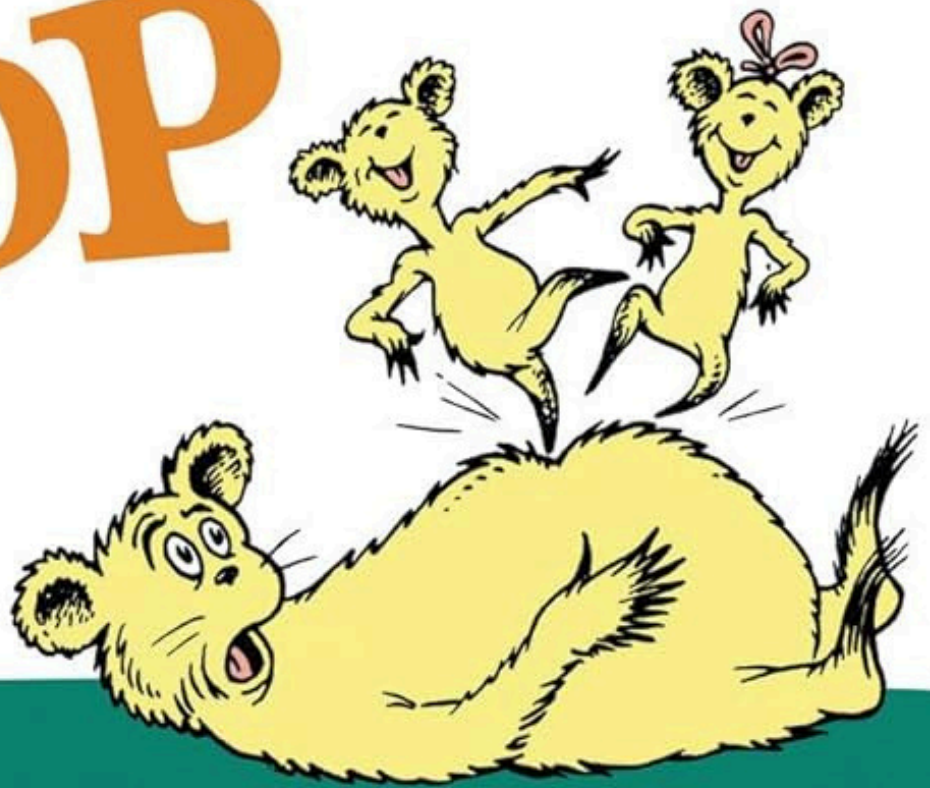
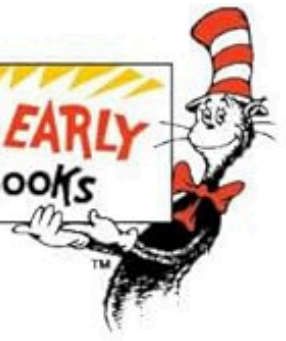
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“The jars are now empty, the votes are all in, thank you, dear readers, for helping kids win! With coins and with kindness, you helped stories start—BookSmiles says THANK YOU, straight from the heart!”



HOP ON POP

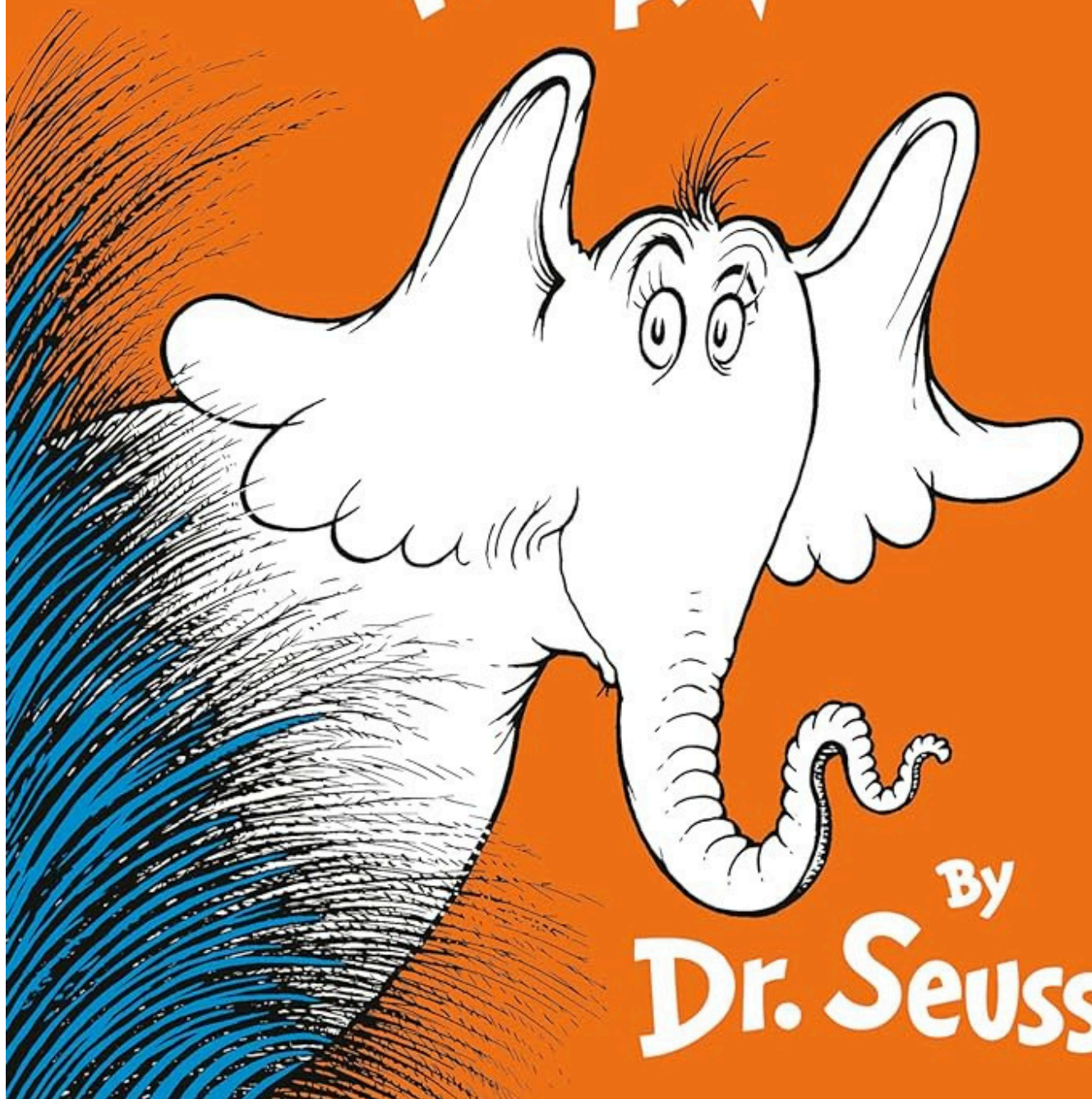
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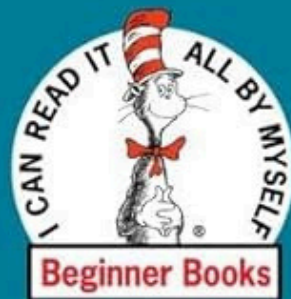
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