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Big Bear's forest friends eye his berries hungrily, but he doesn't notice as he digs into his delicious snack. When the old oak tree says, "Share, Big Bear, share," he thinks the tree has said, "Hair, Big Bear, hair!" One comical scene follows another as Big Bear keeps misunderstanding the old oak tree's message until things finally get sorted out. Whimsical illustrations highlight the humor in this gentle story about the importance of sharing something special with friends.

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# **From Reader Review Share, Big Bear, Share! for online ebook**

## **Melanie Haynes says**

This book is amazingly adorable! I think it really catches the essence of a toddler and is a perfect read for them and great for tutoring new readers. Perfectly set for the enjoyment of young children and written in a manner that they might hold attention long enough to get to the end. There are no complicated words so it is perfect for new readers to help them progress (as a literary tutor and a provider for a toddler, I am always looking at books for context and learning). I am really impressed with this story and look forward to reading more to my young kids and using them to assist in literary learning as well as social skills.

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## **Danielle Hammelef says**

I won an ebook from a Goodreads giveaway. The message of this book is important for everyone to remember and is told in a fun way with excellent repetition, rhyme, cadence, and gorgeous illustrations. Bear is a very likeable character and I can't wait to get a hard copy of this book too.

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## **Angelina Kerner says**

This is a beautifully illustrated short book for children with a great message about sharing. I found the illustrations and the the writing to be a perfect combination. A parent can show all types of animals and colors to their child while reading the book, creating a longer experience of learning about sharing.

I recommend to mothers who are looking for children books about sharing.

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## **Barbara says**

Maureen Wright and Will Hillenbrand have collaborated again to bring us another wonderful Big Bear book called Share, Big Bear Share. Kids will love repeat the chant from the old oak tree over and over and will gleefully help you read this again and again. Hillenbrand's illustrations are endearing and Wright's rhyming text is fun to read out loud. It would be perfect for a pre-school story time on manners, bears, forest creatures, or just for fun. For ages 3 -6.

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## **Jess says**

### **There, Big Bear, There**

A sweet and well-drawn tale of a gluttonous bear who keeps mistaking requests to share for words that rhyme. Beautiful art, cute story, and of course the standard simple lesson for kids.

Note: I won this ebook as part of a Goodreads giveaway.

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## **Amanda says**

Annoying rhymes, and trite story. Thank goodness for Hillenbrand's adorable artwork that pulled this one out because I was not feeling this. (C'mon the tree was shouting! Why could the bear not hear it? The tiny mouse was covering HIS ears for Pete's sake!) May be good for caregivers who are at their wit's end and cannot get their precious ones to listen? Otherwise, hard pass.

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## **Ardus says**

### **Lesson on sharing**

The book was fun to read out loud to my 3 year old grandson. The illustrations went along with the storyline and kept my grandson's attention. The book also was about listening skills since the bear wasn't hearing what the tree was saying. I thought that part could have been developed a little more.

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## **Alex (not a dude) Baugh says**

Big Bear is back and this time he has a big bucket of beautiful blueberries to eat. And they sure do look good, at least that's what Big Bear's forest friends think as they watch him dig in without offering any to them. But Big Bear is so busy with his blueberries, he doesn't even notice his friends as they gather around him and wonder why he isn't offering any to them. In fact, he is so intent on enjoying his blueberries that each time the Old Oak Tree tries to remind him to "Share, Big Bear, Share," Big Bear thinks he has been reminded to do something else, over and over and over. Will Big Bear finally understand what the Old Oak Tree is really telling him and share his blueberries with all his forest friends before they are all gone?

Share, Big Bear, Share follows the same jolly rhyming pattern as the two previous Big Bear books, Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep! (2009) and Sneeze, Big Bear, Sneeze! (2011). Kids already familiar with these books will no doubt immediately pick up on the repetition of the Oak Tree's imperative to Share, Big Bear, Share! and join in at the appropriate places; kids not familiar with the pattern won't take long to pick up on it and join in as well. There's plenty of humor to be found in the story as Big Bear, so intent on enjoying his blueberries, doesn't really pay attention to the Oak Tree and keep goofing up, so expect lots of laughter.

Will Hillenbrand's delightfully whimsical illustrations, done with graphite pencil and digital media, add so much to the humor of the story. And Hillenbrand knows what he is doing. He has written and/or illustrated over 60 books for young readers including Down by the Barn, Mother Goose Picture Puzzles and the Bear and Mole series. He has lived almost all of his life in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he grew up as the youngest of four boys. He now lives in Terrace Park and was recently honored as Author/Illustrator in Residence at Kent State University.

Information about his books, selected readings, art process videos, and activity ideas can be viewed at <http://www.willhillenbrand.com/> You can also connect with Will at <https://www.facebook.com/willhillenbr...> And, you can find some fun activities at his website, including a game to Help Big Bear Share [HERE](#)

Besides being a pretty funny story, there are some serious themes to be found that could/should generate plenty of discussion with young readers, themes that stress the importance of paying attention, making mistakes, forgiving, and sharing.

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### **Melanie says**

Big Bear has picked himself a huge basket of blueberries. He's enjoying eating them all himself when the big oak tree admonishes him to share. Bear repeatedly misunderstands him which leads to many hilarious adventures. But in the end Bear finally learns to share.

Great story for introducing the concept of sharing.

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### **Paula says**

Rhyming book about a bear that is not listening to the old oak tree. Instead of the word "share", bear hears "hair", "lair", "chair" and "scare".

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### **Diana says**

This a cute story about a bear told to share. He doesn't always listen to what he's told so he's reminded again and again. Thanks Goodreads for the free copy! My kids need this as a reminder to always share.

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### **David R Elliott says**

**My 2 year old granddaughter loved it.**

I was looking for some books to read with the granddaughter on the new Kindle. We had read several before I found this one. She loved both the story and the illustrations. She kept pointing at all the different things she could find in the picture. We read it through the first time and then two more times. Each time she seemed to be as thrilled as the first.

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### **The Library Lady says**

Others in this series have been preachy, but here the message gets through with giggles courtesy of the repeated failures of Bear to correctly hear the word "share." Bears and berries always go well together, the art is up to Will Hillenbrand's high standards, and the rhymes rhyme. A winner.

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**Jana says**

This fun, rhyming picture book teaches young readers important lessons about listening, friendship, and sharing. Big Bear has a huge container of blueberries that he's very excited to enjoy. But each time he settles down to eat his tasty treat, the Old Oak Tree tries to give him an important reminder. Young readers will have fun finding out if Big Bear will ever get the message. Warm, colorful illustrations make this a lovely book to have on a primary bookshelf.

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**Juliana Lee says**

Big Bear misunderstands the old oak tree's admonishment to share his blueberries. Instead he thinks he hears 'hair' 'chair' even 'lair'. But when he finally realizes what the tree is saying to him, Big Bear apologizes to his friends and shares his big pail of blueberries.

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