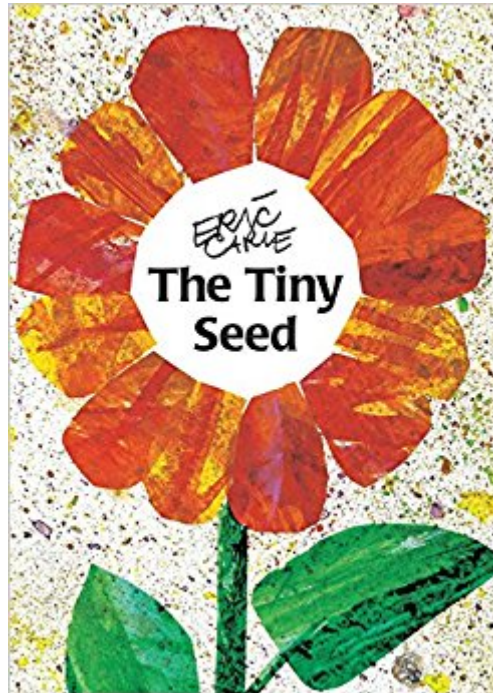




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# The Tiny Seed



## Synopsis

In autumn, a strong wind blows flower seeds high in the air and carries them far across the land. One by one, many of the seeds are lost -- burned by the sun, fallen into the ocean, eaten by a bird. But some survive the long winter and, come spring, sprout into plants, facing new dangers -- trampled by playing children, picked as a gift for a friend. Soon only the tiniest seed remains, growing into a giant flower and, when autumn returns, sending its own seeds into the wind to start the process over again. Eric Carle's eloquent text and brilliant collages turn the simple life cycle of a plant into an exciting story, a nature lesson, and an inspiring message of the importance of perseverance.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

This picture book admirably conveys the miracle of a seed. Flower pods burst and dispatch their seeds on the wind; the air-borne seeds are subject to myriad disasters; and the ones that make it through the perils of the seasons to become mature flowering plants are still susceptible to being picked, trod upon and otherwise damaged. But nature allows for survivors, and so the tiny seed grows into a giant flower, releasing its seeds and continuing the cycle. As he has demonstrated with *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and other books, Carle has an extraordinary kinship with nature. Here

we have not just the explanation of the life of a flower, but drama, lessons of life and a lovely spirituality. This is a reissue of the original 1970 edition, with expanded, expansive collage illustrations. The pages, like the seed pods, burst with color. Ages 4-8. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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Very cute book. I don't think mine came with any seeds but my son loves Eric Carle so we've been collecting his books little by little.

Beautiful book, but like others have stated, no seeds. And, I'm really disappointed in myself for not reading the dimensions. It fits in the palm of my hand...not suitable for reading to a classroom of children.

Great reading.

Good

Smaller than expected, seed paper it came with was torn a bit and seeds missing. Overall was slightly disappointed with this purchase.

Cute book, but where are the seeds?

Very nice book for children. Parent needs to read it first and decide if child is ready for the whole concept not just the language skills. Love the idea of the seeds at the back.

This is an awesome book! My 3 year old son loves it! Explains the growth process of a seed and plants very well.

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