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Niki Yektai, Susannah Ryan : What's Missing? before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised What's Missing?:

The reader follows a family through a variety of activities and tries to identify what is missing from each illustration.

From Publishers Weekly Readers can play a guessing game by learning to identify "what's missing" from a variety of humorous scenes. A girl pedals in midair, her mother walks an empty leash, and when they return from their outing in the park, their house is gone! In each case the solution is easily found by turning the page. Familiar objects like silverware, a TV and a bedtime book make Yektai's simple question-and-answer format fun for lap-reading; Ryan's watercolors of the skewed scenes, while not particularly inspiring, make the What's Missing? game accessible to toddlers, who will want to play it again and again. Ages 3-6. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc. From School Library Journal PreS A book that is dull and disappointing. The concept of What's Missing? is a clever one a simple game of logic for preschoolers using a picture format. However, in this case, it doesn't work. Each right-hand page features a large, bright, uncluttered cartoon illustration of a typical daily scene in a young child's life. In each situation (i.e., walking the dog, playing at the playground, watching television) something is missing (dog, slide, T.V. set). On each right-hand page children are asked what is missing. The following left-hand page shows the complete

picture with the answer at the bottom. Alas, the simplicity of illustrations and text will not provide a challenge for preschoolers old enough to enjoy this type of puzzle. Susan Scheps, Bertram Woods Library, Shaker Heights, Ohio
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