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Description:

From School Library Journal PreSchool-Grade 2. Cat Heaven sounds like paradise. A rhyming text describes a realm in which felines are fed from God's countertop, a place where they no longer get stuck in trees because now they can fly. There are thousands of toys, and soft angel laps in which to cuddle. There is even a quiet time to look back on former homes and loving people. The primitive, childlike painting style is similar to Rylant's work in Dog Heaven (Scholastic, 1995). Both books serve the same purpose of comforting anyone mourning a lost pet, but the writing flows more easily and the pictures are more mature in Cat Heaven. The story has spiritualism and reverence but not in a traditional manner. God is depicted as a kindly older man who washes the cats' bowls and "walks in His garden with a good black book and a kitty asleep on His head." His coloring varies from pink to brown to yellowish tan. The visual impact of the book is stunning. Cats of all colors frolic through the exuberantly hued pages. Vibrant yellows, blues, reds, purples, and greens create a feast for the eyes. Even the color of the text changes to contrast with the background. Whether read as a story to

younger children or used in a discussion of the nature of heaven with older ones, this deceptively simple, sweet book is rewarding. Lucinda Snyder Whitehurst, St. Christopher's School, Richmond, VA

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From Kirkus Reviews Every bit as rich in eye-dimming sentiment as *Dog Heaven* (1995), this will kindle sighs even from the feline-indifferent. Writing in rhyme, Rylant assures readers that all cats already know the way to heaven's yellow door, and once past it will never want for laps, toys, or full kitty dishes. Rylant paints in the same extremely naive style of the first book, with large brushes and bright, opaque colors; heaven is a place with trees and clouds to perch on, fields to leap through-- and a garden full of tall flowers, where God walks ``with a good black book [``Garden Tips"] and a kitty asleep on His head." Comforting and amiable, this is tinged with gentle humor. (Picture book. 3-6) -- Copyright ©1997, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.

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