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Editorial Review

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Have you ever dreamed of being locked in a department store at night? The endearing story of *Corduroy* paints a picture of the adventures that might unfold (for a teddy bear at least) in such a situation. When all the shoppers have gone home for the night, *Corduroy* climbs down from the shelf to look for his missing button. It's a brave new world! He accidentally gets on an elevator that he thinks *must* be a mountain and sees the furniture section that he thinks must be a palace. He tries to pull a button off the mattress, but he ends up falling off the bed and knocking over a lamp. The night watchman hears the crash, finds *Corduroy*, and puts him back on the shelf downstairs. The next morning, he finds that it's his lucky day! A little girl buys him with money she saved in her piggy bank and takes him home to her room. *Corduroy* decides that this *must* be home and that Lisa must be his friend. Youngsters will never get tired of this toy-comes-alive tale with a happy ending, so you may also want to seek out Dan Freeman's next creation, *A Pocket for Corduroy*. (Ages 3 to 8)

Review

Corduroy has donated more than three million dollars to a charity helping children with severe illnesses, disabilities, or traumas.

Corduroy hosted Jumpstart's Read for the Record campaign, which raised more than \$1.5 million for early education programs. Two million children and adults read the book on the same day.

Corduroy was one of the first books inducted into the Indies Choice Book Awards Picture Book Hall of Fame.

The New York Public Library named *Corduroy* one of the 100 Great Children's Books from the Last 100 Years.

The National Education Association named *Corduroy* one of the Teachers' Top 100 Books for Children.

School Library Journal named *Corduroy* one of the Top 100 Picture Books for the 21st Century.

Corduroy's creator, Don Freeman, received the Kerlan Award in recognition of his singular attainments in the creation of children's literature.

Close to 20 million copies of the *Corduroy* books have sold in the United States and around the world.

About the Author

Don Freeman was born in San Diego, California, in 1908. At an early age, he received a trumpet as a gift from his father. He practiced obsessively and eventually joined a California dance band. After graduating from high school, he ventured to New York City to study art under the tutelage of Joan Sloan and Harry Wickey at the Art Students' League. He managed to support himself throughout his schooling by playing his trumpet evenings, in nightclubs and at weddings.

Gradually, he eased into making a living sketching impressions of Broadway shows for *The New York Times* and *The Herald Tribune*. This shift was helped along, in no small part, by a rather heartbreaking incident: he lost his trumpet. One evening, he was so engrossed in sketching people on the subway, he simply forgot it

was sitting on the seat beside him. This new career turned out to be a near-perfect fit for Don, though, as he had always loved the theater.

He was introduced to the world of children's literature when William Saroyan asked him to illustrate several books. Soon after, he began to write and illustrate his own books, a career he settled into comfortably and happily. Through his writing, he was able to create his own theater: "I love the flow of turning the pages, the suspense of what's next. Ideas just come at me and after me. It's all so natural. I work all the time, long into the night, and it's such a pleasure. I don't know when the time ends. I've never been happier in my life!"

Don died in 1978, after a long and successful career. He created many beloved characters in his lifetime, perhaps the most beloved among them a stuffed, overall-wearing bear named Corduroy.

Don Freeman was the author and illustrator of many popular books for children, including *Corduroy*, *A Pocket for Corduroy*, and the Caldecott Honor Book *Fly High, Fly Low*.

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