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Quarterly Review of Children's and Young Adults' Books

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Johnson, Jane. ARE YOU READY FOR BED? Illustrated by Vanessa Cabban.  
Tiger Tales, 2002. Unpaged. \$14.95. ISBN 1-58925-017-6.

Grade Level: PreK-2  
Classification: Fiction

Little Bunny doesn't want to go to sleep. No matter what his mother tries, her youngest bunny refuses to sleep. The Little Bunny enjoys the one-on-one time with his mother so much that he does not want to go to sleep. But finally, Little bunny wears himself out, and Mrs. Rabbit thinks she can get some rest. However, just as she begins to drift off, another of the babies awakes. Mrs. Rabbit exhibits endless patience and care, giving her child only warm, but somewhat weary, affection.

This fascinating bedtime/naptime story will be a favorite to the young child as well as an encouragement to the parents who read it to their children.

Hansen's soft-pastel illustrations echo the tender loving care of the tale. Her captivating pictures feature an utterly cuddly bunny with an impish glint in his eye and a jaunty tilt to his long floppy ears. Like its energetic protagonist, this winsome tale is hard to resist.

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