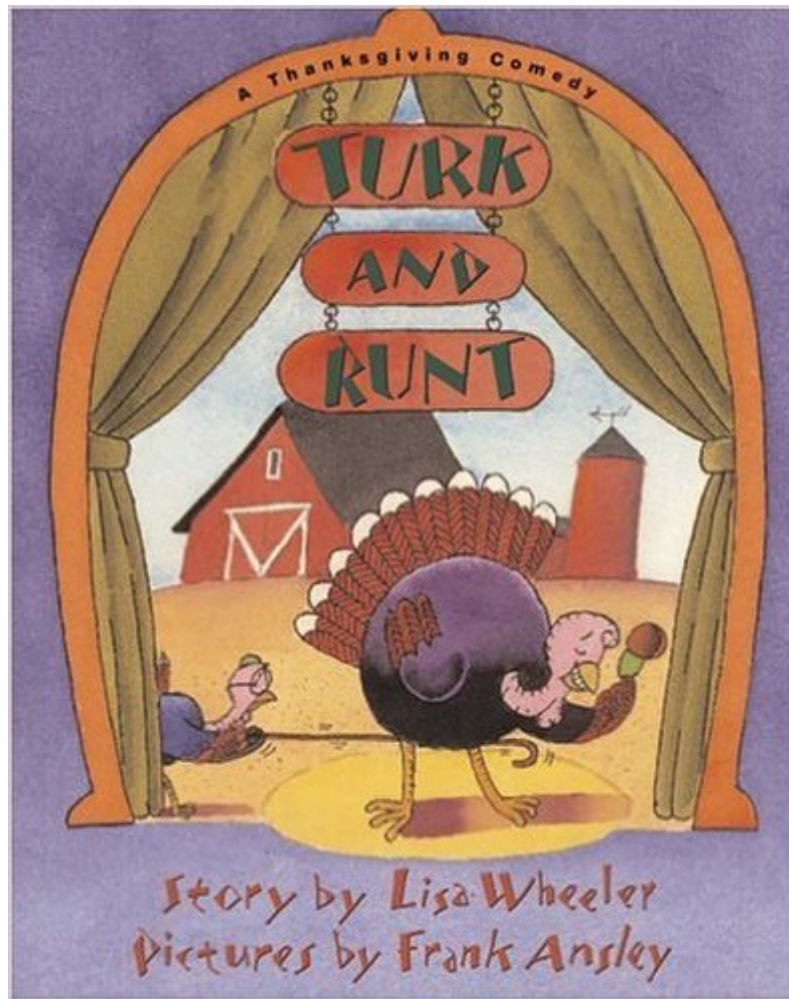


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# Turk And Runt: A Thanksgiving Comedy



## Synopsis

Turk's parents are proud of him, the biggest, strongest, most graceful bird at Wishbone Farm. "He's a dancer," says his mother. "He's an athlete," says his father. "He's a goner," says his little brother, Runt. But no one ever listens to Runt -- even after people with seasonal plans and roasting pans begin showing up at Wishbone Farm, or even after the juiciest turkeys are chosen, one by one. "Chosen for what?" Turk asks. No one wants to hear Runt's answer. But you will laugh at what he has to do to get his family's attention. They are, after all, turkeys.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

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## Customer Reviews

This is simply the story of a family of turkeys, not unlike many human families you may know. Mom, Pop, The Golden Boy and of course the Runt. This is an absolutely hilarious Thanksgiving tale. The illustrations are great and the story line will keep you snickering from front to back. This is actually quite a useful book for the class room. After reading the book and finding out how runt saves the day, have the children write you a letter, as a turkey, talking you out of not having him or her for your feast. Out of a class of third and fourth graders, you get some very interesting stories. I enjoyed this one, thought it was funny and well done.

I got Turk and Runt after my kid fell in love with the Dino-Sports series by Lisa Wheeler. My five year old loves this tale about a fat juicy turkey named Turk and his little "Runt" brother who tries to

save him from becoming someone's Thanksgiving Day feast. The parents are extremely proud and clueless.... Before the selection begins (people coming to select their bird on the farm) the parents are sure Turk will be the first one chosen. But chosen for what? They think he will be in a broad-way hit or part of a sports team. "He's a dancer," said his mother. "He's an athlete," said his father. "He's a goner," said his brother, Runt. No one seems to know what is going on but Runt. We will be reading this every Thanksgiving.

LOL! You have GOT to add this book to your library. Not only will it teach your child some good lessons - that not everything in life is as it seems but that family can stick together and when they do, it really is the best. This is a large book with great illustrations. Easy to read & your kids will smile from ear to ear.

Laugh-out-loud funny! The kids loved it and the adults had their funny bones tickled as well. Read this one out loud to the whole family, then plan on having tacos for Thanksgiving.

I love this humorous story about a turkey family who avoid the fate of most Thanksgiving turkeys thanks to the intelligence of the runty brother. The pictures and text are both high quality. The paperback edition that I bought was flimsy. I'd look for a hard cover edition.

This story is a really cute story about 2 brother turkeys and how they save each other from being someone's Thanksgiving dinner. I first saw the book last year at a little private school and heard the librarian read it to each 2nd grade and 5th grade class on the day I was there. I borrowed it to read at the school 2 or my grandkids attend. They loved it, so I had to have my own. It's very entertaining. I would recommend this to families with younger children and every elementary library of teacher needs a copy.

This "Thanksgiving comedy" highlights gratitude of an unusual sort--that of not ending up basted on a Thanksgiving Day platter. Which is important if you happen to be a turkey on "Wishbone Farm." Turk's parents are proud of their big, strong son. His mother thinks he'll be a dancer. His father is sure he'll be a star athlete. No one listens to Runt when he warns that his brother "is a goner." While his family is blissfully ignorant of the impending signs around them, Runt, small but smart, devises ways to keep them from the roasting pan. This sassy wobble-gobble of a story is stuffed with word play, energetic drawings and imagination.

This book is hilarious! I read this book every year in my kindergarten class and the kids just love it. For two years now I've used the book as the script for our class play. Its a great hit with parents and friends who come see the kids. There are also enough one or two liners so that the kids can memorize the parts. The story line is simple enough so young children can follow along but silly enough to engage all ages. My students and I give it two thumbs up each year.

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