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A skinny wolf is intent upon nothing but dinner when he pounces upon a duck, a pig and a cow on their farm; but the trio just ignore him - they are engrossed in reading. Wolf is so surprised by the reaction of these cultivated animals that he decides he too must learn to read. His early efforts fail to impress (though some of us are not surprised!!!) despite his being top of the class and spending hours in the library. However, practice and the purchase of his very own storybook pay off and he and his cultivated companions decide to join forces and travel the world telling stories.

Biet's sketchy, almost slapdash line drawings and watercolours skilfully capture the depression, apprehension, contempt, indifference, rapture and contentment felt by the human and animal characters alike in this witty fable about the power of reading and story to transform.

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