

FROM THE AUTHOR OF THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX

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# Mercy & Watson

*to the Rescue*



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## Chapter 1

Mr. Watson and Mrs. Watson have a pig named Mercy.

Each night, they sing Mercy to sleep.

*"Bright, bright is the morning sun,"*

sing Mr. and Mrs. Watson,

*"but brighter still is our darling one.*

*Dark, dark is the coming night,*

*but oh, our Mercy shines so bright."*

This song makes Mercy feel warm inside, as if she has just eaten hot toast with a great deal of butter on it.

Mercy likes hot toast with a great deal of butter on it.



But when Mr. and Mrs. Watson kiss her good night and turn off the light, Mercy's room becomes dark.

Very dark.

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## *Kate DiCamillo!*

Mr. and Mrs. Watson have a pig named Mercy.  
Mercy is a *porcine wonder*. One night, Mercy  
decides she would like to snuggle up with  
Mr. and Mrs. Watson. This is not good news  
for the Watsons' bed. Or for the Watsons.

"A lot of laughs and a 'buttery-toasty' warmth."

— *San Francisco Chronicle*

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