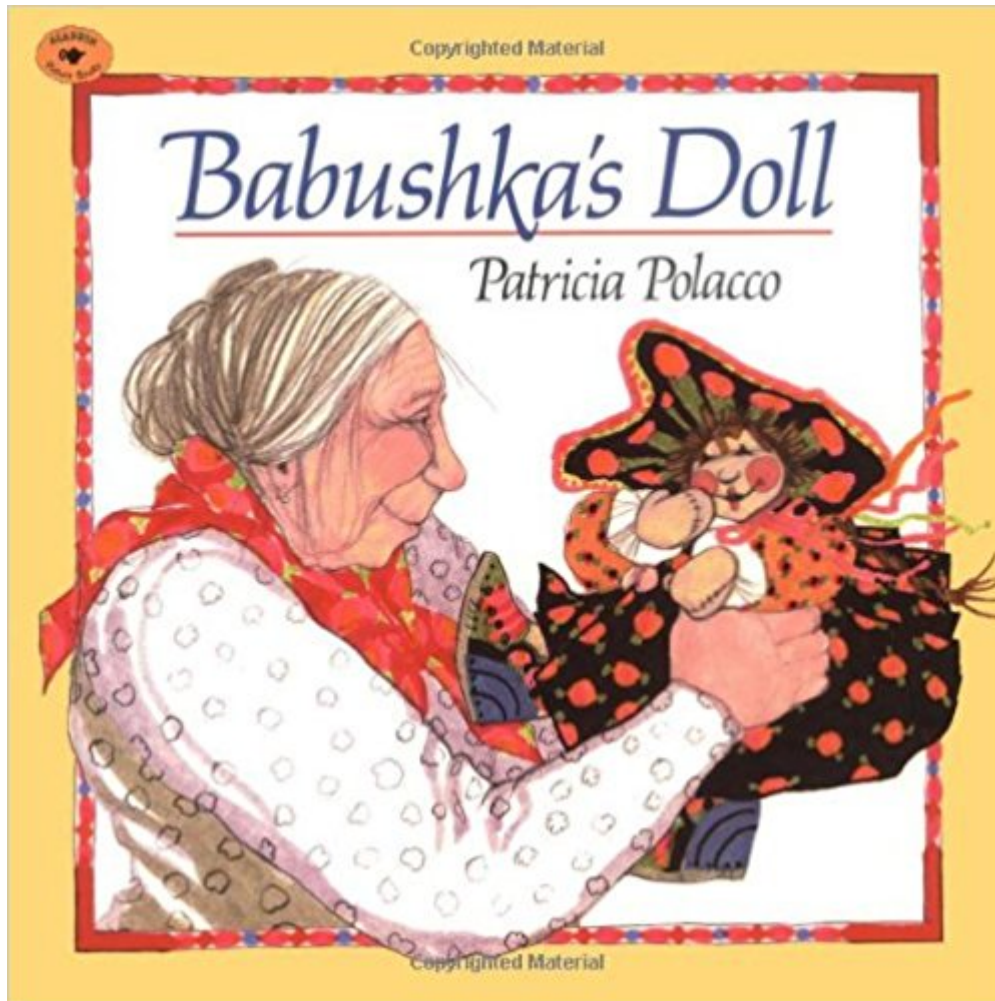




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# Babushka's Doll



## Synopsis

Natasha isn't really a bad girl. It's just that she wants to play on the swing now, not after the wash has been hung up to dry. And she wants her soup now, not after the goats have been fed. Looking after Natasha keeps Babushka, Natasha's grandmother, very busy. Then, after lunch, Natasha notices a doll sitting on Babushka's shelf...a doll Babushka tells Natasha she played with just once when she was a little girl. When Natasha plays with the doll while Babushka goes to the store for groceries, she discovers why once is enough with Babushka's doll...and finds out just how tiring it can be to take care of a child who wants everything now.

## Book Information

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In this vibrantly illustrated cautionary tale, a selfish girl becomes "quite nice after all" after learning a valuable lesson from a doll that comes to life. Ages 4-8. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc.

PreSchool-Grade 1-- When Natasha wants something, she wants it now --not after her grandmother, Babushka, has finished her chores. Babushka gets tired of this attitude, and finally

goes off to the market, leaving Natasha to play with a special doll that she keeps on a high shelf. The doll comes to life and subjects Natasha to the same sort of insistent whining that Natasha used on Babushka. The girl learns her lesson and turns out "to be quite nice after all." This pedantic story is made more acceptable by Polacco's beautiful illustrations. Her expressive, Old World figures, bright colors, and charming details of a house and farm in Russia will delight readers, even if predictability makes the story less enticing than the pictures. --JoAnn Rees, Sunnyvale Public Library, CA Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

I adored this book!! I read it to my kiddos at Christmas time and they loved it.

I used to use this book as a teaching tool in the classroom. Now that I'm retired, I enjoy reading it to my granddaughter and young niece. Both girls truly enjoy the story and are waiting for me to show them my doll! Ha! BTW, Patricia Polacco has never written a book that I have not enjoyed!

I purchased this book for our godchild for Christmas, loved it so much I ordered another one for myself for future grandchildren we may have. A month after receiving this book for my collection our daughter gives us the news that she is pregnant with twins. I consider this book our Good Luck book. Would definitely recommend it to anyone!

I love this author. Great story!!!

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One of my favorite children's stories. Teaches a powerful lesson.

Babushka's Doll is one of my favorite Patricia Polacco books. As an elementary school teacher, I love to read a loud to the children every day. The children love this book. It is a pedagogical story of a girl who acts impatient and selfish with her grandma, her "Babushka", and the lesson she learns in this dimension. It is a multicultural tale, and it is very easy to be dramatic and use character voices when telling the story. I have read this story hundreds of times. Enjoy it! It is a gem in your home or classroom library.

Beautifully illustrated and cleverly written! Every page is captivating because of the brilliant colors used, and it is a charming story! Adults and children alike will love this book. Love Patricia Polacco and have since I was first introduced to her work 25 years ago! So happy to see that her books are still around, and thoroughly enjoy her Facebook posts, as well!

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