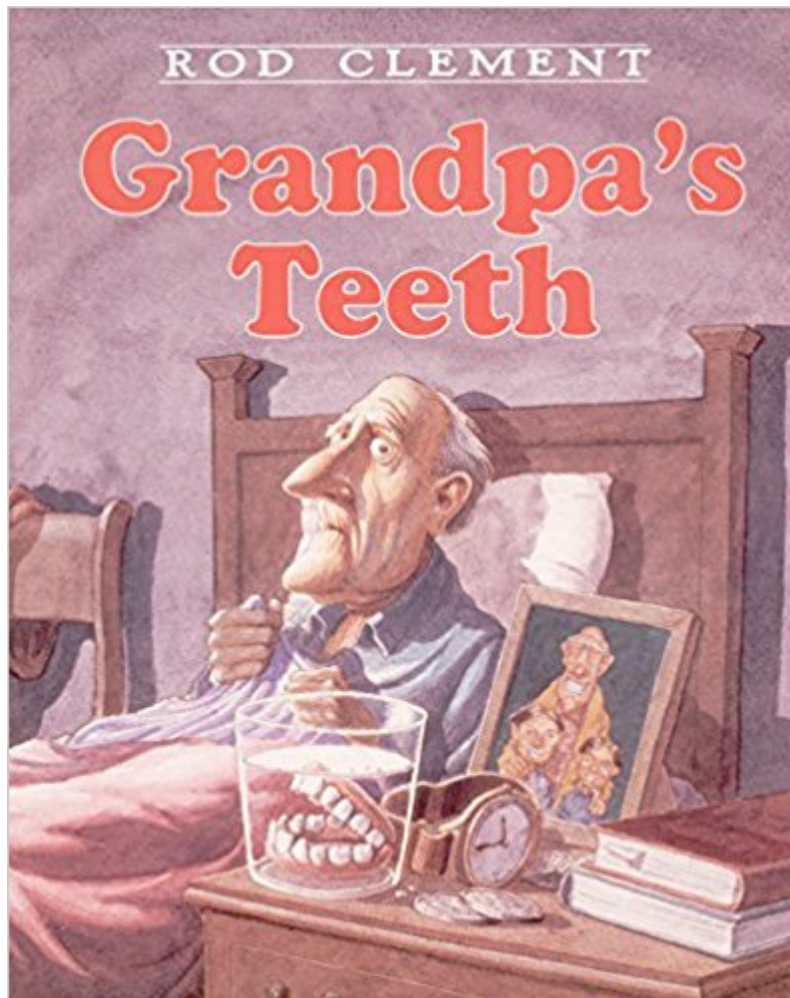




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# Grandpa's Teeth (Trophy Picture Books (Paperback))



## Synopsis

"Help, I've been robbed! It's a disaster!" Grandpa's teeth, handmade by the finest Swiss craftsman, are gone -- stolen from his bedside table! Grandpa suspects anyone who doesn't smile widely enough to prove that their teeth are their own. Soon everyone in town is smiling -- all the time -- and their ghastly grins are frightening the tourists away. Can the culprit be caught before the whole town cracks up?

Popular Australian cartoonist Rod Clement, illustrator of *Edward the Emu* and *Edwina the Emu* by Sheena Knowles, has created a rollicking whodunit with a surprise ending that will have readers grinning from ear to ear.

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## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Kindergarten-Grade 3? Grandpa's very expensive, custom-made false teeth have been stolen. The police are alerted and an artist's rendering of the missing choppers is posted as "wanted" all over town. Even though "Unsolved Crimes" broadcasts a reenactment on television and dentures are found in the mailbox, none are the missing ones. Grandpa suspects everyone, so townsfolk smile widely to show that their teeth are their own. Finally, people of the town rally to Grandpa's cause and kick in to replace his teeth. Now everyone is grinning, including Grandpa's always dour dog, Gump, who smiles a very "familiar" smile. The text reinforces the humor in the pictures, displaying

Grandpa's distinct toothless talk, "It'sth much more stherious. It'sth my teeth?they've been sthtolen." Clement's slightly exaggerated characters are perfectly suited to this toothy tale. Pictures extend the text as evidenced in the search of Grandpa's messy room where everything from apple cores to bugs are found, but not teeth. Grandpa's Teeth is a hoot.?Susan M. Moore, Louisville Free Public Library, KYCopyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Ages 4^8. It's a "disthasthter" when Grandpa's false teeth are stolen. For one thing, it makes him talk like a teakettle. For another, these were no ordinary dentures. "Thosthe teeth were sthpecial," he whistles, "handmade by the finestht Sthwissth craftsthmen." Despite Grandpa's appearance on the TV show Unsolved Crimes, the police remain baffled, and soon the town is in an uproar. For everyone is suspect, and the only way to prove you're not the thief is to grin broadly enough to show all your own choppers. The sight of so many dazzling ivories is enough to scare the tourists away, and the specter of economic ruin looms. After all this inspired nonsense, how Grandpa finally gets some new teeth is a tad anticlimactic. And anyone who has read William Joyce's A Day with Wilbur Robinson (1990) won't be a bit surprised by the identity of the thief. But Australian cartoonist Clement's pictures are a hoot and a half, and his story has enough sly touches to keep readers grinning . . . toothily! Michael Cart --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Very funny book full of intuition in solving the supposed crime of Grandpa's teeth having been stolen. It may also be helpful in having children concentrate on maintaining their own teeth.

Book is so fun to read to little ones. Love getting my grandpa with no teeth voice on. My little girl laughs and laughs.

Delightful book for its story but more because the reader has to lisp some words. PreK 3 class loved it for the mystery too and tried so hard to figure out how to help Grandpa. They especially loved the teacher trying to talk like Grandpa!

Hysterical! My second grade students LOVED this book and wanted me to read it again...and again, and again! I would highly recommend this book!

Great for teaching predictions/ inferenceing. You have to break down over three days but the class

will keep trying to follow along to solve the mystery while making inferences using both the illustrations and text to support their inferences

Funny. Good for teaching cause-effect.

Absolutely the funniest book for kids. The illustrations are hilarious and help tell the story well. Everyone I read this to loves it.

I have read this book at least thirty times. My kindergarten classes begged me to read it at least 3 times a year! I also read it to my neighbor who is 88 yrs. young. She enjoyed it as much as the five year olds.

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