

I'll have a marmalade sandwich, please.

Thank you sir!

I wrote a little blog on Winnie-the-Pooh, and my oldest daughter reminded me of the bear she liked. While I don't remember reading Paddington Bear to my daughters, I do remember something about the little bear.

From the title, you can guess that maybe marmalade sandwiches had something to do with Paddington. You would be correct. I do believe that was his favorite thing to eat. He also liked to drink cocoa. Now, I'm not sure how well cocoa goes with marmalade, but he is a bear from darkest Peru.

Now as with all children's books, the title character did not always do the right thing or behave correctly. He was always very polite, but trouble would occur. He did always try to do his best. Can anyone ask for anything more? Is this the appeal to my oldest daughter, a little bear that has a tendency to get into trouble?

Now of course if you know Paddington, you picture a bear in a hat, duffle coat and wellingtons. He almost always had his hat, and received the coat shortly after he was found. The boots came later.

There are now books and movies (videos from tv shows) about Paddington, so it isn't too late to introduce yourself to this little bear from darkest Peru.

Other famous bears (just to be fair)

Winnie-the-Pooh

The original Teddy Bear

Balou the Bear (from the Jungle Book)

The Berenstain Bears

Corduroy Bear

The Three Bears

Smokey the Bear

Gladly the Cross-eyed Bear...

Oh yes, and the Chicago Bears ☐

Which bears did I miss?