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## ***Frances: Bedtime For Frances***

**Arrives On DVD For the First Time on March 31, 2009 In A Special DVD & Book Collection From The Jim Henson Company, Lionsgate And HIT Entertainment**



**Street Date: 03/31/09**

**Order Date: 03/4/09**

**DVD SRP: \$14.98**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

For the first time ever, author Russell Hoban's precocious, loveable badger, *Frances*, is available on DVD in the animated ***Frances: Bedtime for Frances***. This special DVD & Book collection arrives in stores March 31, 2009 from The Jim Henson Company, Lionsgate and HIT Entertainment. *Frances* is brought to life through the innovative, state of the art Henson Digital Puppetry Studio, a proprietary technology that allows the Company's world-class performers to puppeteer and voice digitally animated characters in real time creating a unique, more spontaneous and fresh result. ***Bedtime for Frances*** features three fun animated stories filled with gentle life lessons that address emotional needs of young children. The DVD is packaged inside a custom-made hard-bound book featuring the classic story, *Bedtime for Frances*, which received the "Notable Children's Book" award from The American Library Association when it originally debuted in 1960. It quickly became a beloved classic for children of all ages along with the many other Frances storybooks like *Bread and Jam for Frances* and *A Birthday for Frances*.

Frances is a celebration of the preschool spirit – with all its dramatic highs and lows. Like many young children, Frances is fun-loving, determined and highly imaginative, expressing herself through original poems and songs. Joining Frances in her daily adventures are her little sister, Gloria, her mom and dad, and her best friend Albert.

### **DVD SYNOPSIS**

For the first time on DVD, the timeless classic, *Frances*, comes to life in CGI animation in a co-production by The Jim Henson Company and HIT Entertainment. This special collection also features the full-length classic storybook, *Bedtime for Frances*, in addition to a collection of *Frances* episodes that the whole family will enjoy. Join Frances, the beloved, fun-loving preschooler as she invents new songs, enjoys imaginative adventures and plays with her sister, Gloria and best friend Albert. Her playful spirit will leave you smiling and wanting more!

### **DVD SPECIAL FEATURES**

- Interactive Read-Along of “Bedtime for Frances”
- Frances’ Friends and Family Character Gallery
- Bonus Episode: *Fifi and the Flowertots*™ “Hole Lot of Fun”

### **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

**Year of Production:** 2008

**Title Copyright:** Frances™ & © 2009/The Jim Henson Company/HIT Entertainment Limited. All Rights Reserved.

**Type:** Home Entertainment Premiere

**Rating:** NR

**Genre:** Children/Family/Animated

**Age Target:** 2-5 years old

**Closed Captioned:** English Closed Captioned

**Format:** Full Screen

**Feature Running Time:** Approximately 47 Minutes

**DVD Audio Status:** 2.0 Dolby Digital

**Program Website:** [www.henson.com](http://www.henson.com)

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