

Children's Classics

Book Loved By Generations

(NAPSA)—C'est fantastique! The 19 tongue-in-cheek tales found in the French children's classic "Nicholas" (Phaidon Press, \$19.95) don't just offer the smile-provoking adventures of an only child named Nicholas "often at odds with adults in the world."



Considered a classic children's reading primer, "Nicholas" is about an energetic schoolboy who is forever finding himself in some kind of trouble.

They also give young readers an insightful glimpse into everyday French life and culture.

Written by René Goscinny with illustrations by Jean-Jacques Sempé, whose cartoons appear in *The New Yorker*, the book has been a best-seller since it was first released in 1959, elevating this fictional "every boy" to a literary cult figure. It's the first time the book is available in English for an American audience.

The young hero is easy to relate to, making this reading primer a great gift for yet another generation of young readers. "Nicholas Again," the second of the American series, will be available at all major bookstores in Spring 2006. For more information, visit www.phaidon.com.