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The Witch Who Was Afraid Of Witches (I Can Read Level 4)



Synopsis

Wendy is a little witch who is afraid of her mean, bossy witch sisters--until one special Halloween night when she makes a magical discovery and outwatches her older sisters. In this new edition, complete with full-color art, Alice Low has adapted her popular story specifically for beginning readers

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

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Customer Reviews

My daughter, who just turned five, recently "discovered" all sorts of things she can be afraid of -- large spiders, strange shadows, monsters, etc. Therefore, I was delighted to find the book, "The Witch Who Was Afraid of Witches," where the heroine, Wendy, is someone who would normally be labeled scary just because she is a witch. But there's nothing to fear about Wendy, who is even afraid of other witches herself. My daughter began the story by asking if the characters would be scary, and ended by rooting for Wendy. The book's underlying message that all of us have special abilities, including the power to face our own fears, is an important one. And the cute, colorful illustrations don't hurt! My daughter loves the story, and we have read it several times.

I bought this book in a book store for my 5 years daughter. I just grabbed it last second without looking beyond the cover so she will not be upset that her 3.5 years old brother got something and she did not. She liked the cover and the name of the book. And I liked the price in addition to that. We read the book as soon as we got home and what a hit it was with me and both my children. The first day I had to read it 3 times, for about a month after that I was reading it every night. Now we are in the second month and even while there is a 'witch free' night once in a while, I am still reading it almost every day to either son or daughter or both. Another important point for me is that I enjoy reading the book too.

My boys and I thoroughly enjoyed this book. It was very well written and the illustrations are wonderful. Full of detail and color. It was not scary as a lot of Halloween books are so my 4 year old enjoyed it very much. I loved that I could read it with both my 4 and 6 year old and while they enjoyed it, my husband and I also enjoyed it. We read this every night for a few weeks until I finally put it away with the Halloween decorations.

Possibly my favorite kids book of all time. My son loves it as well. The artwork is phenomenal. I can't believe they remade it with such terrible artwork. What were they thinking?

The Witch who was Afraid of Witches by Alice Low follows Wendy, a young witch who cannot seem to do anything right. Her oldest sister, Polly, knows everything. And Wog, her older sister, knows how to do everything. But Wendy has no witch power at all. She also has another secret: she is afraid of witches! Wendy does not like to cackle or talk in a scary voice. And she cannot stand darkness. Wendy begs her older sisters to teach her their witchy ways, but they refuse. Polly and Wog do not think that she has what it takes to be a true witch. She cannot even keep track of her own broom! Sad and alone on Halloween night, Wendy wonders what will become of her. Suddenly, there is a knock at the door. Curiosity gets the best of her and she decides to see who it is, despite her sisters' warnings. As she opens the door, she sees a boy dressed as a ghost standing on her doorstep. Wendy soon learns that the boy's name is Roger and he wastes no time in inviting her to go trick-or-treating with him. Can he help Wendy see that she is a greater witch than she believes? I greatly enjoyed reading this book. The illustrations are beautiful and very expressive. I would have liked to have seen a bit more depth with the plot, but I believe that this story will become the new Halloween classic that children will read again and again.

These are my favorite exciting parts of the book. My first favorite part is when a ghost named Roger knocks on the door and says, "Trick or treat!" and Wendy says there's nobody home. My next favorite part is when they go to Roger's house to get a broom. When Wendy sits on the broom, and she cackles and gives a little jump, she zooms to the ceiling. Another favorite part is when Wendy puts spells on her sisters, Wog and Polly. Another one is when they come home limping and they think they lost their witch powers. My last favorite part is when they find Wendy and they say that her broom won't work and Polly gets on the broom and she can't take off and Wog gets on the broom and she can't take off either. Then Wendy gets on and cackles and gives a little jump and zooms off out the window faster than they ever flew.

The original had really amazing and classic artwork, and told one of my favorite halloween stories for kids. This is the same story, but with awful updated artwork. The original was SO MUCH BETTER. WHAT WERE THEY THINKING?!?! B0020CSJ9K

I bought this to read to my 3 year old son who loves stories about halloween creatures. He loves this book! I think the artwork is really nice, and the story is perfect for us to read. I appreciate the large size of the print, so he can follow along with me as I read the text. It has quickly become one of his favorites.

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