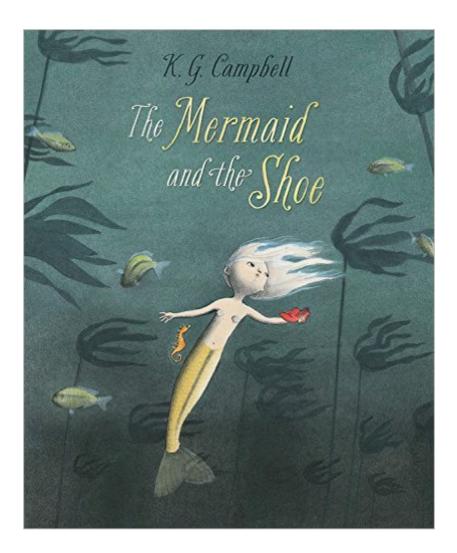
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The Mermaid And The Shoe





Synopsis

Each of King Neptune's 50 mermaid daughters boasts a special talent, except for little Minnow, who seems to be good only at asking questions. When she finds a strange object, Minnow follows her questions to a wondrous place and finds answers, including the answer to the most important question of all: Who am I? A gorgeously illustrated story about finding one's purpose.

Book Information

Lexile Measure: 540L (What's this?) Hardcover: 32 pages Publisher: Kids Can Press (April 1, 2014) Language: English ISBN-10: 1554537711 ISBN-13: 978-1554537716 Product Dimensions: 9.5 x 0.5 x 11.2 inches Shipping Weight: 1.1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (55 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #13,464 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #42 in Books > Children's Books > Fairy Tales, Folk Tales & Myths > Greek & Roman #64 in Books > Children's Books > Fairy Tales, Folk Tales & Myths > Dragons #123 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Family Life > Siblings Age Range: 3 - 7 years Grade Level: Preschool - 2

Customer Reviews

Why are magical creatures so hard to write? lâ [™]m a childrenâ [™]s librarian. That means that a goodly portion of my day can consist of small starry-eyed children asking for an array of otherworldly cuties. â œDo you have any unicorn books?â • â œAny fairies?â • â œAny mermaids?â • Actually, more often than not itâ [™]s their parents asking and you can read between the lines when they request such books. What theyâ [™]re really saying is, â œDo you have any books about a fairy that isnâ [™]t going to make me want to tear out my eyebrows when I end up reading it for the 4,000th time?â • Over the years lâ [™]ve collected the names of picture books that fulfill those needs. Like fairies? â œThe Dollhouse Fairyâ • by Jane Ray is for you. Unicorns? You canâ [™]t go wrong with â œUnicorn Thinks Heâ [™]s Pretty Greatâ • by Bob Shea. But mermaids . . . mermaids posed a problem. It isnâ [™]t that they donâ [™]t have books. They simply donâ [™]t have that many. For

whatever reason, writers donâ [™]t like doing mermaid books. Easy to understand why. What is a mermaid known for aside from brushing their hair or luring young sailors to a watery grave? Add in the fact that most kids associate mermaids with a certain red-haired Disney vixen and youâ [™]ve got yourself a topic thatâ [™]s avoided like the plague. It takes a bit of originality, spark, and verve to overcome these obstacles. Having read his picture book â œLesterâ [™]s Dreadful Sweatersâ • I knew that K.G. Campbell was a bit of a witty wordsmith. What I didnâ [™]t know was that he was capable of creating wholly new storylines that are as satisfying to adult readers as they will be to children. You want a mermaid book? â œThe Mermaid and the Shoeâ • is officially my latest recommendation.Mermaids are talented creatures. Just ask King Neptune.

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