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Pickle-Chiffon Pie is a story without a villain. No fighting, no bloodshed, but still exciting and fast-moving. It is a tale that stretches the imagination: the reader must accept a juggling lion (six cans of root beer at once!) and a sixteen-foot Gazoo. Not a hard assignment for a child, but perhaps a bit more difficult for a wordly grown-up.

Take heart, you staid elders. The story has elements running throughout that should appeal to adults as well as children (how 'bout mice that paint in the fashion of Picasso, Matisse, Grant Wood and even Toulouse Lautrec?) because the author knew that if a story IS A REALLY GOOD ONE, parents everywhere would be commanded by their children to read it aloud again and again. And maybe even once more...

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Erin says

I think this is perfection in the children's books category! The story is whimsical and touching. It relies on human emotion instead of a villain to help teach kindness and love.

I remember my mom reading this aloud to me when I was a child. For many years it was out of print and selling for over \$75 on ebay. But it's now been reprinted and available for our rising generation to read and enjoy!

Melissa says

We all REALLY loved this book! Great lesson with tons of silly fun.

J.C. says

A magical story with a joyful ending and fantastic illustration style.

Jessica Warren says

Adorable with a great message

Oanh says

I love this book! I came across this book in my 1st grade field placement. This story is about a king who is tired of having to share his pickle-chiffon pie with all of his daughter's potential suitors, so he has decided to put an end to this! His daughter MUST find someone to marry and right away! This story teaches readers an important lesson that having an honest and kind heart is the best gift of all.

Luann says

What a fun book! It's like a cross between a Dr. Seuss and a Bill Peet. I had one question at the end: what is root beer soup? Although honestly, this isn't the type of story you can question too closely - or else you are one of those grown-ups who has a difficult time with this type of story!

Ashley Stevens says

I adored this book. Cute and imaginative call the way down to the jacket. Great lesson too! Will be looking for more stories by this author to read to my daughter.

Eva says

Prince Bernard got to married the princess for not bringing anything back. He didn't interrupt the painting mice. He saw an ogre who was so ugly he scared the leaves right off the trees. Prince Musselbaum had already found a lion and Prince Wellred had already found a giant with a green beard who could play chopsticks on two pianos. The princess was very beautiful and did whatever her father, the king, asked her to do. And every prince in the neighborhood asked her to marry them with flowers and gifts for her. That meant there would be less pickle chiffon pie for the king. THAT was his problem.

Susan Canham says

Best kids book ever.

Miss Sarah says

length makes this preschool and up. but it's a really cute story about three men vying for a princess. what trait will win the man the princess. Great kindness themes.

Margaret Chind says

This is the second child I have read Pickle-Chiffon Pie for in their First Grade year and once again plenty of giggles and grins. My current six-year-old loves this story, especially as it relates to a princess. For her, I'm tempted look for more of these books. Once again a great recommendation. We own this book.

Connie says

So, here we have a princess, a king who loves pickle-chiffon pie, and three suitors.

And the three suitors go to find something AMAZING to show their devotion to the princess so they can get married. (Spoiler - the one the princess likes is the one who wins. And you know, she has good taste!)

They each find something great, but the third suitor has to leave his prize - a Gazoo who bakes pickle chiffon pies! - behind because it has babies. *sniff*

Bless his soul, the king realizes a great story and a compassionate heart when he finds one, and everybody is happy at the end. I adore this book to pieces.

Nathaniel Hardman says

So many baffling details. When I was a kid, I just read it and enjoyed it. Now I read it and enjoy it and think, "Why does that animal have three noses?" Really fun book.

Jennifer says

This would be fun to pair with Helme Heine's THE MOST WONDERFUL EGG IN THE WORLD at storytime.

Catherine says

I ordered this book about a month ago, and it finally came in! I love this story. It was first published in 1967 and is now being republished. It is so wonderful to have an older story in our collection that is beautiful shape! It is a great story about kindness and compassion. I plan on sharing it in my storytimes next week.
