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Bedtime becomes an unforgettable k-nightly adventure!

Come on a bedtime adventure with one little knight as he rides through forests to reach his bedroom, battles crocodiles to brush his teeth and climbs the tallest tower to get into bed. This exciting and imaginative bedtime tale is told through Owen Davey's charming and witty words and illustrations - making this a perfect k-nightly read for every young adventurer.

Night Knight Details

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From Reader Review Night Knight for online ebook

Rebecca Reid says

Night Knight by Owen Davey (Templar Books, 2011) begins and ends with a boy with a colander as a hat, holding a play horse, but the rest of the illustrations show a different story: a knight coming to the end of his day. The illustrations are playful and fun as the “knight” bathes with the fishes, jumps over crocodiles, and heads to his tower room. The story is one all kids can relate to – the need to go to bed – and yet the story comes across as playful and original. It’s easier to head to bed when it becomes a game. Raisin and I liked the imagination in this story, and the fact that the story is told through the pictures with just a few words on the page makes it extra appropriate for a young child resisting bedtime. It’s just long enough to give the child an amusing story they can relate to, but not too wordy to be a quick bedtime story to help a child calm down. I personally really liked the muted color palette (orange, yellows, and purplish-blue) and the geometric illustrations. This title was a Cybils 2012 Fiction Picture Book pick. If only baby Strawberry had stayed awake long enough to enjoy this one with us!

Awjtf says

I liked it

Stephanie says

This picture book has some of the most utterly beautiful illustrations I've ever seen. They're wonderfully imaginative, too, showing clearly (without any clunky textual explanation) how the little boy protagonist uses his imagination to turn bedtime into an exciting adventure - so for instance, the layout during bathtime shows the little knight swimming with lots of fish and other sea-creatures but also includes a floating plug hidden in the page as a sign of what's really going on.

It's pretty much the perfect book for any little kid who loves knights and castles. (And are there any little kids who don't? I'm sure there must be, but I haven't met them yet.) My little boy adores it. My one reservation, the first time we read it together, was that I worried the pictures - while stunning by any standards - used such a limited color palette, I wasn't sure he was getting the full effect of them as clearly as if they'd used more distinct colors to make each detail stand out. I think I was wrong about that, though - he points out hidden details every time we read it now, and asks for it to be read again and again!

I got a free copy of this book (as I share a publisher with the author), but I'll definitely be buying extra copies for friends' children.

Joella www.cinjoella.com says

A little boy with a colander on his head transforms into a knight that is getting ready for bedtime. He gives a "ye olde yawn" and heads off on the great adventure for the night. He climbs mountains (stairs). He brushes

teeth while dodging crocodiles. He turns out the lights (closes his "visor"). And he goes to sleep because "even a knight needs a good night's sleep."

I love the illustrations in this one. They are all browns, and rusts, and orangy-yellows. With a dab of cream and mint green here or there. The boy easily turns into a boy in pajamas with kitchen ware on his head to a great knight that does the impossible (going to bed easily...or taming three-headed-dragons).

I can't wait to read this one in storytime. I think the kids will enjoy seeing what an imagination can do to ordinary things like bedtime.

Heather says

This is very simplistic with significantly overwhelming illustrations. For sensory processing kiddos I suggest a different book while in bed already. Maybe reading this on a yoga ball as a transition tool to start bedtime process would increase the stars to 5! Following along the given lines within the illustrations is also wonderfully placed for sensory kiddos.

Allison Parker says

Love this imaginative bedtime story. Color palette is retro and awesome.

Kimberly says

This little knight has a HUGE imagination! Very cute.

Ann Santori says

Beautifully detailed drawings in a story about a little boy's imaginative trip to bed.

Kelly says

A book about a little boy who pretends he is a knight, and his nighttime routine.

Kait says

Very cute and imaginative !

***?❁❁ Maki ❁❁?* says**

My daughter grabbed this one from the library when I told her to pick out a book. That's probably less to do with the fact that she actually wanted to read this book in particular, and more because she was just grabbing everything she could off the shelves, and this was the first book that happened to slide out from the ensuing book avalanche.

It's not very long at all. The story itself is about turning bedtime into an adventure. The illustrations are very nice, and everything has a red and gold color theme to it, which gives it a sort of regal, medieval feel. I definitely thought it was a cute book.

Of course, now my daughter knows what helmets are, and she demands that I put everything she can find on her head as a helmet. Boxes...actual hats...aluminum foil...

Kris says

My 5-year old loved this one. The art is really appealing, and he loved trying to figure out what the child was actually doing, like when he was climbing stairs but seeing them as mountains. Super fun.

Amanda says

Cute. Love the illustrations!

KC says

A gentle story of how a young boy imagines his bedtime.

Miss Sarah says

A young boy imagines his bedtime routine as if he were a knight and goes through each step. Cute and simple but need to be able to see the pictures.
