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Gritch the Witch is grouchy, grumpy, and very hungry. The only thing that could make her happy is something extra special for lunch, and that is: Piggie Pie! Gritch zooms off on her broomstick to find eight plump piggies -- where else? -- on Old MacDonald's Farm. Cleverly disguised pigs impersonate ducks, chickens, a cow, and Old MacDonald himself, as this uproarious, quick-paced story builds to an ironically surprising conclusion. Wacky, hip, and illustrated with bold, bright paintings, "Piggie Pie" adds a new twist to an old fairy-tale scene.

Piggie Pie! Details

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Amy says

Oh, cute enough, I suppose. My niece checked this out and thought her brother would like it. Both kids giggled several times. I thought it was moderately clever, but found it a little annoying to read. Probably just me, though. My witch voice ended up being a little harsh on my throat, and she has a lot of lines!

Jen says

A not-so-clever witch desperately wants to make her favourite dish, but must first locate some piggies to put in the pie. Sadly, she heads over to Old MacDonald's farm which is inhabited only by clever fairytale pigs who outwit her.

The twist at the end is amusing for older primary children but goes over the heads of most kindergarteners.

Catherine says

This book includes repetition of parts of Old MacDonald Has a Farm, which will be delightful to young listener/readers. Some eagle-eyed students will love discovering the humor as the piggies hide from the witch who wishes to cook them. However, the stylistic illustrations maybe too much for some young children. To me, there is just something "creepy" about them. This book will surely find its following.

Taya Boston says

This is a children's book that has a humorous story line and matching illustrations. The story begins with Gritch the Witch wanting to make Piggie Pie. She goes to Old Macdonald's farm and attempts to take the pigs. The story creates animal characters who outsmart the witch by disguising the pigs as other animals. Through out the story the reader sees the pigs in disguise as they continue trick the witch. The ending of the story leaves the animals to be victorious and the witch leaves with no piggies but turns her interest into a wolf for dinner plans. This book is a combination of vibrant illustrations and context. The story is easy to read using bold print words and enlarged print allowing the reader to know when the text is supposed to be read with inflection. This book may not appeal to some students who have any sensitivities to a scary witch or to the concept of her eating the pigs. It does show perseverance of the animals to save the pigs. It can be used as a class read aloud or for students to individually read.

Beck says

I don't find the art very...attractive?...but there are some good details. More importantly, I love the ties to the

"Old MacDonald had a farm" song and then to The Three Little Pigs. Definitely a story that requires both words and art to make sense.

Christin says

What's up with the gross, scary, creep children's books? I'm not a fan. Also, using bits and pieces of other books, movies, songs, etc. is kind of overdone for me.

Carrie says

When Gritch the Witch is hungry for a truly special dish, only one thing is on her mind: Piggie Pie. BUT, she can't make it without any piggies! So she sets off to Old MacDonald's farm. She finds cows, ducks, chickens, and a farmer, but no piggies! What will she do about lunch? The results may surprise you. A delightful story with a sprinkling of recognizable bits from classic tales, this book is sure to entertain readers of all ages.

Mariah says

My Students LOVED this book!! It went to the tune of Old McDonald :)

Elizabeth Blackwell says

Piggie Pie by: Margie Palatini, is a fantastic children's book and the way it ends is just straight up funny!!!:) With the witch walking off hand in hand with the wolf each thinking of ways to eat each other! And how clever are those pigs!!!!

Levi says

Wonderful illustrations. Awesome blend of different stories. I really enjoyed the narration! This was a great read and a wonderful book that I'll share with my students this coming school year!

Joy Lane says

This will make an excellent Halloween puppet show script

Staci says

This is one of those books that both of my children *LOVED* when they were little.

It was so beloved that our paperback copy fell apart and as I started rereading and noting our favorite kids books here at goodreads, I immediately remembered that this one was missing..

So, I bought a beautiful brand new hardcover, and the minute I opened the envelope and pulled it out? Both of my kids dove for it, and each took a stroll down memory lane.

I can think of no higher honor for a children's book than that-- years later a child remembering their love for it and reading it again.

Miss Lansberry says

I really like this book! It is funny to see how easily it is to trick the witch.

Leigh says

sick, twisted, hysterical!

Shiloah says

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