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Continuing in this exciting paper over board reader format, award-winning author/illustrator Salina Yoon's early readers are perfect for fans of bestselling series like Elephant & Piggie, Ballet Cat, and Pig in a Wig.

Loud and in-charge Big Duck, quiet and clever Little Duck, and friendly and gentle Porcupine return in another delightful trio of stories. First, Big Duck and Porcupine are so busy building her lemonade stand that they forget one very important ingredient. Next, when Porcupine and Little Duck make a new friend Big Duck feels left out. Can they find a way to include everyone? And lastly, after Big Duck gets her kite stuck in a tree, Little Duck's smart suggestion will save the day! These three friends may be different, but they always find a way to have lots of fun.

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## **From Reader Review My Kite Is Stuck! And Other Stories for online ebook**

### **Mary says**

This was my bedtime reading book for my two grandchildren last night. They were not happy to hear the book because they thought it was a baby book. My grandchildren are Aryana 9 years old and Christian 5 years old.

This book had 3 short stories in it With a Duck, a Duck and a Porcupine as friends playing together. First they managed to get a kite stuck in the tree, then a ball, then a hoola hoop, then porcupine, then a short ladder. Both children laughed so hard when porcupine got stuck in the tree!

When we were finished with the book they both said it still was a baby book, but they enjoyed it and we all will recommend it to our friends.

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### **Michele Knott says**

I love that Salina Yoon makes her early chapter books into smart stories. They appeal to readers and they don't simplify the message. Kids will appreciate that.

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### **Jillian Heise says**

Literally laughed out loud at the first story. This is such a fun early reader series! I especially like that each book has three chapters (or episodes) to follow.

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### **Bridget F says**

My Kite Is Stuck! And Other Stories, by Salina Yoon, is a Caldecott Honor Book. It is about three animal friends and their adventures. One of their adventures involves getting their toys stuck in a tree, the next adventure is about befriending bugs, and their third adventure is about making a lemonade stand. One thing that really added to this story was the facial expressions of the characters. So often their true emotions and thoughts were shown simply by the look on their face in the illustrations. The illustrations are also vibrant and the drawings are outlined in bold black lines. This book is a great way to introduce young students to graphic novels. I would use this book for independent practice or fluency. Also, this could be used to teach making inferences because of the facial expressions of the animals. Students would need to infer how the characters are really feeling based on the picture.

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### **Annie DeLuco says**

This book had three short stories within in. each story had the same characters and similar settings, but the what happened in the story was different. the first story was about Big Duck losing his kite in the tree. Little Duck and porcupine try to help him get the kite down, but only end up getting more stuck in the tree. They end up coming up with an alternate solution, which is getting in the tree. This story shows that even if you cannot get something resolved one way, that does not mean there is no solution. You can think of other ways to fix the problem you are facing. The illustrations in this book are so cute!

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### **Colette says**

Another perfect beginning graphic novel for our youngest readers. Salina Yoon's bright characters rival Gerald and Piggy in a unique way. Just when you think they have the problem solved, they make matters worse, or do they?

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### **Meghan Thomas says**

A very easy collection of three short stories combined into one book. I would recommend this for children under the age of about 7 years old due to the very easy text and big, large easy to recognize illustrations. "My Kite is Stuck"- A cute story about animals all throwing objects into a tree to try to get the previous object to fall. They all ending up getting stuck in the tree and eventually they all climb a ladder to get their toys out of the tree.

"A New Friend"- The animals are the same as the previous story but now it is them making new friends with bugs such as bees and ladybugs. They mention that bugs are bugs and are not friends. Some disagree and mention how fun they are and that they love to share!

"Lemonade Stand"- My personal favorite out of the three. All of the animals decide to create a lemonade stand with a sign and curtains and it was definitely a nice lemonade stand! When their first customers come up, they forgot the lemonade. Quickly, they make the lemonade and it ends up being the best lemonade they've all ever had!

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### **Barbara Ann says**

All three stories feature the same three main characters, Little Duck, Big Duck and Porcupine. In the first story, Big Duck gets his kite stuck in the tree. His two friends try to help, but only make the problem worse. Children will laugh at the silly solutions the characters invent.

The second tale revolves around Porcupine making friends with a bug. Big Duck and Little Duck discuss the qualities needed in a friend and try to persuade Porcupine why he can't be friends with a bug. There is a surprise ending.

In the third story, the three friends decide to build a lemonade stand. They model cooperation, patience and hard work. Of course, there are a few hiccups and lots of humor when the friends forget about the main ingredient needed for their success.

These stories employ speech balloons with dark text and brilliant digital illustrations that fill the page. I would recommend it to preschoolers and kindergarten beginning readers. Each story can be enjoyed separately for beginning readers with shorter attention spans.

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### **Joan says**

This Geisel Honor award winner wasn't bad at all. I liked "King and Kayla" better, but this was good. Porcupine and Big Duck are the morons and talk a lot. Little Duck is the smart one and talks very little but usually saves the day or looks on in disbelief at what the other two do. There are three chapters in this book. I liked the simple vividly colored illustrations. I do think the two morons are too stupid. A little bit of nuance would have been nice. I think the kids at the reader level can handle more subtle characters, even if this one is likely going to get the giggles. More of a 3.5 stars, but I rounded up.

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### **Alyssa Drajic says**

Simple words and sentences are used throughout the book. This would be a good read for grades kindergarten through first grade. The main character little Duck gets his kite stuck in a tree. He has to use problem solving to get his kite down from the tree. Using a teacher led discussion, a discussion can be held among students on brainstorming ideas of how little Duck can get his kite down from the tree. The illustrations throughout the book uses bright friendly colors. This book is also about making new friends. This book has a soft cover but the material is high quality. I enjoyed this story and would recommend it.

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### **Samantha says**

My Kite is Stuck! and Other stories is a playful book with quality writing and illustrations that provide clues to the text. The size of the font is great and the length of the sentences are easy enough that I think this is an excellent version of an easy reader book. Some of the vocabulary could be challenging, but with the brilliant illustrations and profound use of onomatopoeia, early readers would be able to read this book successfully. This book is the recipient of a 2018 Geisel Honor Award.

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### **Cindy Mitchell \*Kiss the Book\* says**

Yoon, Salina. My Kite is Stuck and Other Stories, PICTURE BOOK. Bloomsbury, 2017. \$9.99.

This book contains three very short stories about friends, Big Duck, Little Duck, and Porcupine. In the first, Big Duck's kite gets stuck in a tree and all the friends have to band together to get it down. In the second

story, Porcupine becomes friends with a bee and Big Duck has an opinion about that. In the last story, the animals decide to build a lemonade stand, but forget the most important part: the lemonade. Little Duck saves the day.

This set of stories was so much more humorous and enjoyable for me than the last set. This set has a much nicer flow and comprehension. These books are set up so that the story is created through the word bubbles that the characters speak.

PRE-K, EL (K-3)- ADVISABLE. Reviewed by Shay, School Librarian  
<http://kissthebook.blogspot.com/2017/...>

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### **Matt says**

Who does not love a good story about three animal friends playing together? This small collection of three short stories will warm the heart of any new reader, as well as some of those who are well-versed.

#### **1) My Kite is Stuck!**

When Big Duck announces that her kite is stuck in a tree, it's Porcupine to the rescue, or is it? Soon a ball and hula hoop are also wedged in the tree? Only Little Duck as a solution that will work, though it is surely unconventional.

#### **2) A New Friend**

When Porcupine announces that he has a new friend, Big Duck explains that a big cannot be considered a friend. That said, Porcupine makes quite the case, as does Little Duck, for bugs being considered great friends. Turns out, Big Duck can be persuaded with the right evidence.

#### **3) Best Lemonade Stand**

Big Duck, Little Duck, and Porcupine want to make a lemonade stand, but need to plan ahead. When they are ready for business, they forget a key aspect of their business plan, forcing them to scramble. In the end, they are the talk of the town... and their collective thirsts are quenched.

Neo enjoyed these stories and hopes new readers will like them too. So much to see and easy to read words for all!

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### **Shane says**

A really cute book with three short stories kids will like.

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### **Tasha says**

This second Duck, Duck, Porcupine! book continues the refreshing humor of the first. Familiar characters return with Big Duck leading the way, often into confusion. Porcupine joins in. Little Duck is quiet and wise, though no one ever pays him any attention. The book is made up of three short stories. The first story faces the problem of a kite stuck in a tree and their unique and very silly solution to the problem. The second story

is about what happens when the characters make new friends, with bugs. Finally, there is the problem of the excitement of the lemonade stand and Big Duck and Porcupine forgetting one important ingredient: the lemonade!

Yoon has a great touch with humor. She allows each joke to play out just long enough to get all of the joy out of it and then briskly moves along to the next story. The stories are entertaining and fun, each of them written for beginning readers to enjoy with adult help or on their own. The three characters play beautifully against one another and will appeal to young readers.

The art is bold and bright. It reminds me of comic panels with its thick black outline on each double-page spread. The speech bubbles add to that feeling as well, making this almost a graphic novel for new readers, but not quite. I particularly enjoy the moments when Little Duck breaks the fourth wall and looks out directly at the reader for sympathy.

Funny and full of laughter, this emergent reader almost-graphic-novel is just right. Appropriate for ages 4-6.

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