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A quirky, funny, and utterly irresistible story from Eoin Colfer and Oliver Jeffers, two of the finest children's book creators on the planet.

Did you know that sometimes, with a little electricity, or luck, or even magic, an imaginary friend might appear when you need one? An imaginary friend like Fred.

Fred floated like a feather in the wind until Sam, a lonely little boy, wished for him and, together, they found a friendship like no other.

The perfect chemistry between Eoin Colfer's text and Oliver Jeffers's artwork makes for a dazzlingly original picture book.

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Kendra says

STOP BEING PERFECT, OLIVER JEFFERS.

(Eoin Colfer, you may continue being perfect.)

Becky says

Imaginary Fred is a friend to many... but only for a short while. When Fred's companions make real friends, he fades away and returns to the sky to await his next pal. But things change when Fred meets a boy named Sam.

Y'all know I adore Oliver Jeffers as both an author and illustrator... but I missed his colors in this one! Not that he always uses a ton, and I do understand that the colors were reserved for the imaginary. But still.

That aside, the story and illustrations are *adorable* (as usual). I'm a big fan of Artemis Fowl, and when I heard Eoin Colfer and Oliver Jeffers were collaborating on a picture book, I knew it was gonna be good. And it was!

Elizabeth says

I just loved this concept of a parallel universe of imaginary friends and the twist of the imaginary friends befrinding each other!

Victor Casas says

Está muy bonito jajaja

Además que la idea y la manera en como aborda el tema de la soledad es interesante.

pati says

It started off kind of simple, but then it took an incredibly imaginative twist! I love it!

Laura says

4.5 Stars

"Being alone is no fun.

The first five minutes are okay, but it's downhill from there. And if you're alone, you're alone. It's not as if you can wish a friend to life."

Or can you?

Imaginary Fred focuses on one of my favorite topics. Imaginary friends! I adore the magic and wonder of having an imaginary friend. From Jimmy Stewart's Harvey to the Drop Dead Fred movie, I've always been captivated by the idea. Just because we can't see them--doesn't mean they're not there. :)

Let's meet Fred. You can see him on the pages in dazzling blue. The scenes are black and white for the most part except for Fred. He glows and fades depending on the strength of the child's belief or need for him. I knew I was reading something special when my heart made a sad thump and ache when Fred started to fade. Friends go in and out of our lives, but to really see and witness the slow fading in Fred broke my heart. Do we really grow out of friends?

The one point I didn't enjoy here was how some of Fred's friends appeared rather mean—laughing at him or making him do chores. Why would you make your imaginary friend vacuum? Yuck! You could do anything and everything together. I guess I just thought every kid would feel the imaginary friend magic and do something wonderful with that gift.

Oliver Jeffers is one of my favorite story tellers and readers will see his whimsical touch in the pictures. His characters always feel so unique and Jeffers like. You can see one of his books from across the room! But this is my first Eoin Colfer read. His words spin a tale and mood both magical and realistic on the page. A story that feels possible. A story that focuses on friendship and all its power and glory.

Friends come in all shapes and sizes and visibility. And they all--we all--should be remembered.

I'll remember you, Fred!

Jürgen Peeters says

Mijn recensie van 'Een vriendje voor altijd' verscheen op Cutting Edge

<http://www.cuttingedge.be/boekenstrip...>

Silver Spoon 17 says

Dành ??n ngày cu?i cùng m?i hoàn thành October TBR =)) Tháng này ??c n?ng xu?t th?t s?.

Lúc ??u c? t??ng quy?n này là truy?n ch?, hóa ra là m?t cu?n picture book to oành.

Nét v? và câu truy?n ??u vô cùng d? th??ng.

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Spoiler alert

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Tình b?n là tình b?n, dù là t??ng t??ng hay không.

Tr??c kia không hi?u, gi? m?i hi?u.

C.P. Cabaniss says

This was an adorable picture book about friendship, imaginary and real. I think I would have loved this as a small child and it's definitely one that will be added to the collection for my future children. Eoin Colfer always writes the best stories and the illustrations by Oliver Jeffers were perfect. A really fun picture book.

Kimiya Roudgar says

This is the first book I'm reviewing before reading, even before it's published! But I trust Eoin Colfer with a book like I trust no other author. He's the best and the Artemis inside of him is a good enough reason for me to read anything he writes. Waiting

Aneth Manía says

Son pocos los libros infantiles que leo actualmente. De hecho, este fue un obsequio de la editorial, y para ser sincera no sabía de su existencia, pero tenía una portada bellísima, además parecía una buena opción para hacer una lectura ligera.

La historia aborda un tema que vemos cotidianamente en los pequeños, especialmente en aquellos niños introvertidos que les cuesta hacer amiguitos, estoy hablando del “amigo imaginario” al cual recurren para pasar horas de diversión y tener confianza en si mismos.

En este caso Mario es ese amigo imaginario que siempre está presente en la vida del niño que lo necesite, pero lamentablemente su misión suele terminar muy pronto cuando el pequeño comienza a socializar y hacer lazos de amistad más reales, es ahí cuando Mario comienza a desvanecer y regresar a su nube en espera de

otro pequeño,

La historia también toca el tema de la soledad por lo que podemos ver a Mario anhelando que llegue ese niño que no lo olvide nunca, siempre lo necesite y con quien pueda ser feliz.

El libro está narrado de una manera muy sencilla y simpática, todo esto en conjunto con unas ilustraciones super chulas con muchos detalles que atrapan por completo la atención en cada una de sus páginas.

Esta es una lectura dirigida a los menores pero que de igual manera un adulto puede disfrutar. Nos enseña que la amistad aun siendo imaginaria es real.

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Stacy says

Cute Children's Book

Sam was lonely and longed for a friend. Only under the perfect circumstances does an imaginary come along, and when it does, it is special indeed, and that was imaginary Fred. Fred had had real friends before, but only until they had found another real friend, then Fred would fade and wait for another. Sam and Fred did everything together-- they were inseparable, until one day, Sam met Sammi and Fred was sure he would start to fade again. Fred was so sad; he had never had such a good real friend as Sam, but he knew this is how things went. Then he discovered Sammi also had an imaginary friend named Frieda and they (all 4 of them) did everything together. The story has a unique and happy ending. This was my granddaughter's favorite book last year, and we reread it many times. We like the way it looks, the illustrations, as well as the story. Very cute.

Rebecca McNutt says

Short but funny and well-written. I honestly don't see what's so great about it though, one of my friends sent me a copy of it, raving about "how cool it is", but I think it's just another picture book, nothing special about it but still has a good story.

Abduraafi Andrian says

Buku #10 yang dibaca di Phoenix Public Library.

Jadi, Fred ini adalah teman imajinasi yang akan hadir ketika kamu kesepian dan butuh teman. Tentu saja dia akan datang kalau kamu mengundangnya (memintanya). Pada suatu hari, dia bertemu Sam dan mereka jadi teman dekat. Sampai Sam bertemu teman "nyata" baru dan Fred ketar-ketir. Fred sudah tahu bahwa ketika teman "nyata"-nya punya teman "nyata" baru, dia pasti akan tersingkir. Bagaimana dengan Sam?

Buku bergambar yang bagus! Eoin Colfer x Oliver Jeffers!?

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Ahhh! Such a lovely book!
