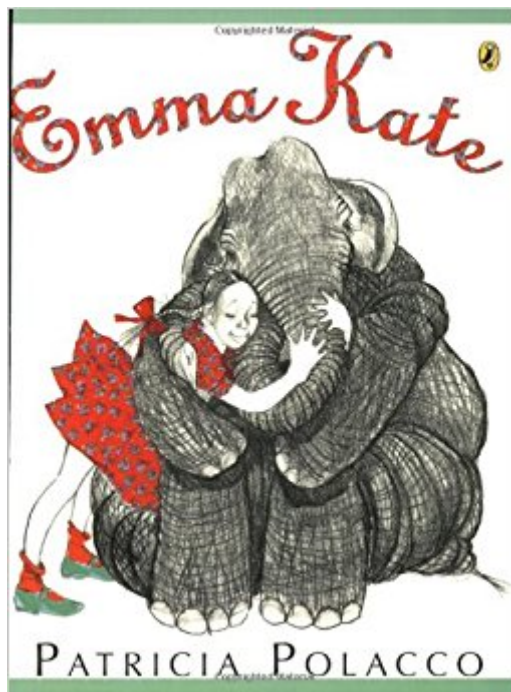


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Emma Kate



Synopsis

That adorable Emma Kate has an imaginary friend. They walk to school together every morning and sit together in class. They sleep over at each other's houses and do their homework side by side. They even have their tonsils out and eat gallons of pink ice cream together. But a hilarious twist will have readers realizing there's more to this imaginary friend than meets the eye!

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Customer Reviews

PreSchool-K Emma Kate and her elephant best friend sit next to one another in school, share lunches, play at recess, finish their homework, and go to soccer practice. They even have their tonsils out at the same time, sharing a hospital bed and gallons of pink ice cream. The girl's bright red dress stands out against the white background and soft charcoal-gray pencil drawings of the large friendly elephant. Subtle hints in the illustrations of the dress, a license plate that reads BIGMOME, and a hospital chart lead readers to the surprise ending: Momma and Daddy elephant comment on their child's active imagination as they are told all about her day with Emma Kate. The only possible drawback to this otherwise amiable story of imaginary friendship is the fact that the classmates are human, making readers think twice about the conclusion.

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PreS-Gr. 2. Polacco's artwork is as strong as ever in a warm story that celebrates imaginary friends. The young, pigtailed narrator introduces Emma Kate, a handsome gray elephant. "We do just about everything together!" says the girl, and, indeed, the following spreads show the friends walking to school, swinging at recess, and reading and dreaming together. When the girl tells her parents about the fun she has with Emma Kate, they respond, "You have such an imagination," indicating that the elephant is imaginary. But in Polacco's expertly rendered, energetic graphite drawings, Emma Kate is such a solid presence that children, particularly those with imaginary friends, will feel that even if Emma Kate is imagined, the friendship is real. Familiar scenes at school and home extend the story's comforting tone, and the few bright spots of paint, which stand out strongly against the black-and-white drawings (the girl's red dress is a constant focal point), reinforce the delicious sense of two worlds overlapping. Gillian EngbergCopyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

For younger children than most of her books.

My 8 year old daughter's favorite book!

I bought this for my grandchildren for Christmas. We have loved Patricia Polacco books for 20 years. They never disappoint. I know I can pick up any of her books and the kids will enjoy it. All her stories are wonderful! The kids love to hear them over and over!

A wonderful book!

Beautifully illustrated and written, it is a story all kids will love, but the word count is much lower than what I realized when I ordered it for 4th and 5th grade kids. The story is so good, that it didn't really matter though.

My book arrived in a bubble envelope and was extremely wrinkled upon arrival. This was supposed to be a gift.

You can't go wrong with a book by Patricia Polacco! Bought this for my daughter-in-law for

graduation from early childhood.

I loved Emma Kate mostly because I love elephants and Polacco is such an engaging artist along with being a delightful story teller. Both the little girl and her gigantic friend were totally real. You can be sure I will buy more of her books.

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