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Cookies: Bite-Sized Life Lessons

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Rosenthal, Amy Krouse. *Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons*. Illustrated by Jane Dyer. HarperCollins, 2006. ISBN 006058081X. \$12.99. 30 p.

Reviewer: Sarah Wanlass

Reading Level: Preschool, Primary, All

Rating: Excellent

Genre: Picture books; Informational books;

Subject: Conduct of life--Miscellanea--Juvenile literature; Cookies--Miscellanea--Juvenile literature; Books--Reviews

Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons is a book of abstract terms defined with situations that involve cookies. For instance, "Modest means you don't run around telling everyone you make the best cookies, even if you know it to be true." Definitions like this one will help youngsters better understand difficult concept words such as patient, generous, fair, and trustworthy.

The book is as warm as its illustrations: cozy, nostalgic depictions of small girls and boys, cats and dogs, lambs and bunnies, and of course cookies. Young and old alike will enjoy reading this book. Young ones may need a little help because though the concepts are simply explained, some of the font is cursive. This book is a good vocabulary enhancer: great for classrooms and home libraries.