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Pajama Pirates

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Kramer, Andrew. *Pajama Pirates*. Leslie Lammler. Harper, 2010. ISBN 9780061251948. \$16.99. 32 p.

Reviewer: Lauren Bangerter

Reading Level: Toddler, Preschool, Primary

Rating: Outstanding

Genre: Picture book;

Subject: Pirates--Juvenile fiction; Bedtime--Juvenile fiction; Adventure and adventurers--Juvenile fiction; Books--Reviews;

Nighttime doesn't mean sleep for the Pajama Pirates, rather, that's when the adventure begins! Kramer's lilting poem chronicles the midnight escapades of the Pajama Pirates: they search for hidden treasure, are attacked by pirates, and cleverly find a way back to safe seas. Ultimately they land on "sandy shores" and go off to bed dreaming of the next adventures they'll take.

The words of Kramer's poem are excellently matched and imaginatively portrayed by Lammler's illustrations. Lammler's illustrations are done in blue-tinged watercolor and are wonderfully whimsical. Using curvy lines and reoccurring motifs, Lammler creates an adventurous and inviting atmosphere while retaining a sense of security and fun. *Pajama Pirates* would be a great addition to any bed-time-story-book collection.

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