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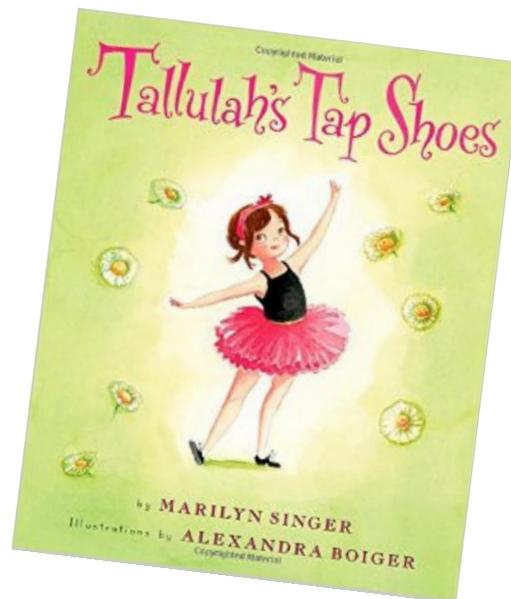
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Book Review

Title: Tallulah's Tap Shoes
Author: Marilyn Singer
Illustrator: Alexandra Boiger
Reviewer: Whitney Troxel
Publisher: Clarion Books
Publication Year: 2015
ISBN: 9780544236875
Number of Pages: 20
Interest Level: Preschool, Primary
Rating: Dependable



Review

Tallulah is excited to go to dance camp and take ballet classes. She's less excited about having to take tap classes. Tallulah has been taking ballet classes for a long time and is one of the best in the class. The teacher praises her technique. But in tap class she receives several corrections from the teacher. Tallulah feels she's the worst student in tap class. Eventually Tallulah realizes that being corrected by the teacher doesn't mean she's the worst student in the class. She begins to understand that if she keeps practicing she'll get better. Tallulah looks forward to being good at both ballet and tap.

Tallulah's Tap Shoes is Singer's fifth book about Tallulah. This book teaches children the importance of practicing. Children can learn alongside Tallulah that practice helps you improve, even if you're not good at something when you start. The book does use basic, french ballet terms, which can be difficult for readers to pronounce. Readers without dance experience or a basic understanding of French are less likely to enjoy this book. But for young, aspiring dancers, *Tallulah's Tap Shoes* is a great addition to their library.