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Petal and Poppy and the Mystery Valentine

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Book Review

Title: Petal and Poppy and the Mystery Valentine

Author: Lisa Clough

Illustrator: Ed Briant

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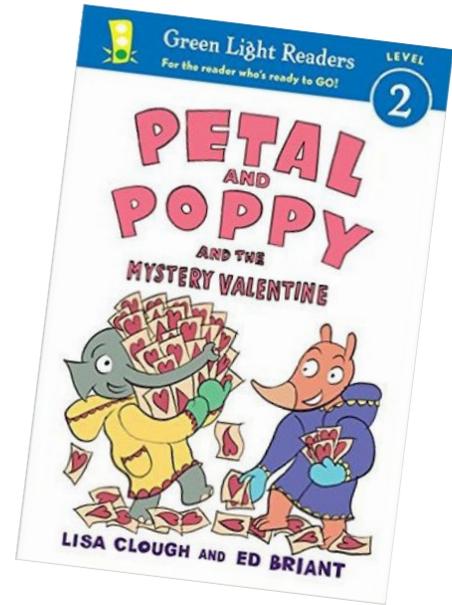
ISBN: 9780544555495

Number of Pages: 32

Interest Level: Primary

Rating: Outstanding

Review



On February 14th, Petal and Poppy each wake up to a surprise from a mystery valentine. Throughout all of Valentine's day, Petal and Poppy receive anonymous notes and treats. They try to follow the culprit, but he escapes in a hot air balloon while leaving loads of valentine cards in his path. Petal and Poppy give out the valentine cards to everyone they love, spreading happiness throughout the town. In the end, the mystery valentine reveals himself and they take a hot air balloon ride together! What a perfect Valentine's day.

Young readers who are beginning to read with help from parents will love Petal and Poppy and the Mystery Valentine. The colorful illustrations are arranged like a comic book or a graphic novel. All of the text in this book is simple dialogue, coming from each character in the form of little speech or thought bubbles. The sentences are short and the story is creative, making it an engaging story for children and parents alike!