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# The Perfect Place

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# Book Review

**Title:** The Perfect Place  
**Author:** Teresa E. Harris  
**Reviewer:** Shelby Bunker  
**Publisher:** Clarion Books  
**Publication Year:** 2014  
**ISBN:** 9780547255194  
**Number of Pages:** 263  
**Interest Level:** Intermediate  
**Rating:** Outstanding



## Review

Treasure's daddy is always accepting new jobs and leaving his family while he prepares the new place for their arrival. But after Dad's most recent move, it doesn't seem like he's coming back for them this time. While Mom goes off in search of Dad, Treasure and her younger sister Tiffany are forced to spend their summer with strict and stuffy Great Aunt Grace, who they are quick to nickname GAG. As Treasure spends the summer wondering if she'll ever see her dad again and wondering if they'll ever settle in the perfect place her father so desperately seems to be searching for, she finds her own perfect place.

Although geared towards middle grade readers, *The Perfect Place* by Teresa E. Harris is an enjoyable read for any age. Not only is the story interesting, but the writing is engaging. Harris brings her characters to life and you can't help rooting for Treasure and relating to her in one way or another. Another strength to this must-read novel is that it is not predictable. The end of the story and some of the subplots are not what the reader might first expect, but upon finishing the book you can't help but think it couldn't have ended any other way.