Mac & Cheese

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Mac and Cheese are two polar opposites who happen to compliment each other perfectly. Mac is analytical, while Cheese is imaginative. This three-part book follows these friends through breakfast, lunch, and dinner, where they learn about the importance of friendship. They think about math problems, debate the merits of art, and even look at the stars.

This book is long, wandering, unrelatable, and generally laborious to read. The word choice is complex, but the sentence structure is diluted and unclear to the point that many children reading the book may be confused and unable to decipher the meaning behind the sentences. The transitions between the books three parts are awkward, leaving the reader confused as to why the sudden shift has happened. The storyline is generally engaging, and while it teaches important lessons, like the importance of friendship and the meaning of art, the dialogue falls so flat that it makes it more of a chore to read than anything else. Truly, this book would not engage most children and they would quickly find themselves lost in this dialogue-heavy book, and would probably put the book down to find another, simpler, less confusing read.