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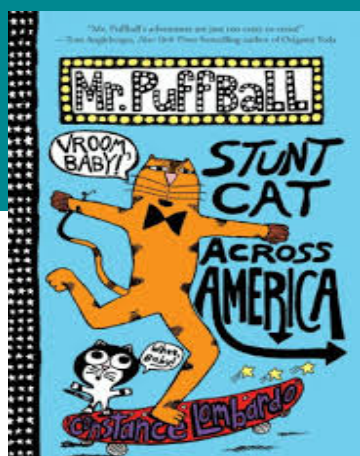
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## Book Review

# Mr. Puffball: Stunt Cat Across America

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Excellent

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Primary, Intermediate

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The suits, the top cats of Purramount Studios, need to be persuaded. El Gato and Mr. Puffball could have their buddy movie stolen right out from under them. The suits loved the buddy film, but they aren't convinced that Mr. Puffball and El Gato should be the actors in the movie. Benedict Cumbercat is about to snatch their show and the cats need to act fast. To win over the Purramount Studios executives, Mr. Puffball, El Gato, and their friends pile into a van to travel across the country to shoot their demo reel. They're on a deadline and have to act fast. Once completed, they debut their big film and realize it looked much better in the van. However, the suits have better ideas for their future and line them up with other roles.

In Mr. Puffball: Stunt Cat Across America, friendship can get you through anything. El Gato and Mr. Puffball had their world turned around when they found out it wasn't likely they would film a movie together. Even though that was pulled from them, their friendship wouldn't be. They traveled across America together and were able to have a trip of a lifetime. They completed stunts and contests together as friends. They knew they needed to have fun while they were scared of not filming together. In the end, they do not get the buddy movie. However, they had just spent so much time filming their demo reel together. Those memories couldn't be taken away. This book is such a great example of true friendship. Even when things don't go our way, good friends will always be there for us. Children can explicitly pull this theme out of the book and can be a great discussion point and learning opportunity.