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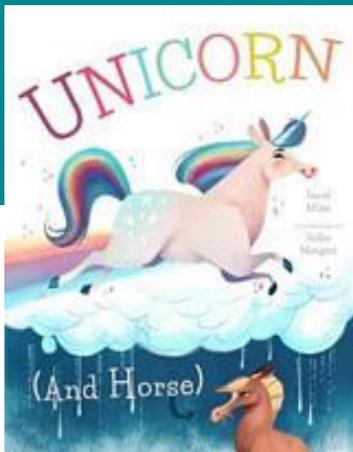
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Book Review

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Rating

Excellent

Level

Preschool, Primary

Unicorn is perfect. He has great teeth, lots of friends, and gets to eat pink cupcakes at every meal. Horse, on the other hand, is not quite so perfect. He is frumpy, has to eat hay, and he wishes he was unicorn. But when a nefarious duo decides to kidnap unicorn so they can make a lot of money, the only one who can save him is horse. With his speed and very large teeth, he is the perfect one to foil the plot and when he saves the day horse finds that he can be his own kind of perfect.

Using characters that are initially dawn as polar opposites the story of horse and unicorn offers a clever adventure that addresses a theme directed at learning to be yourself. Additional themes of friendship despite differences also adds another layer of interest to the story. The words used to tell the story are direct and are well chosen. The illustrations, which have a muted jewel tone color pallet, capture the personalities of the characters effortlessly. The balance between the text and the illustrations is well done. The text is nicely placed to flow with the pictures and along with subtle touches like a change of background color to set off parts of the story the whole book offers a delightful experience.

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48

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