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Bad Kitty: Camp Daze

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Kitty doesn’t want Puppy to go to a dogs-only camp without him. Kitty decides to stow away in Puppy’s bag. Upon Kitty’s arrival, the camp director isn’t convinced that Kitty is a dog. After several impressive attempts, Kitty fools the director into thinking that he is a dog. On a camp hike, Kitty runs into trouble. He sniffs catnip and his true identity comes out. The camp director chases after him until the two are lost together. They run straight into a bear! Kitty distracts the bear, allowing himself and the director to run away. When they find the rest of the dogs, the director convinces them of the hero that Kitty is.

Bad Kitty: Camp Daze is a part of a graphic novel series written and illustrated by Nick Bruel. This book has several strengths and weaknesses. There is little character development and a very simple plot. The reader isn’t able to get to know the personalities of the main characters and understand why they do what they do. The story takes place within a couple days and in the same setting, which leads to little complexity. Two main strengths are the illustrations and the appeal to children. This graphic novel has fun cartoons that add to the humor of the story, and add great detail. This book would be a good book for younger children because of the characters and the graphics. Animals are great characters to use for children and putting them into real life situations helps children relate.