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Book Review

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Rating

Outstanding

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Preschool, Primary

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48

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Finn misses his grandfather. Outside is beautiful day and he knows that his grandfather would have said that this is a good day to go sailing. Finn has a playhouse in the shape of a boat and it is where he plays and imagines great adventures like the ones his Grandfather told him. Finn sleepily curls up for a nap where he dreams of a place where the ocean and sky become one. There his boat can float among ships and whales and other ocean vessels. Too soon his mother's voice calls him, it is time to wake up for dinner. It has indeed been a good day for sailing.

This is a gorgeous book and because of that it appeals to every age and every level of reading expertise. The story line is enchanting and the words drift from page to page like the magic in Finn's dream. The connection of Finn and family is endearing and the dream trek to his grandfather's mystical land is rich in imagination and beauty. The real things that make life wonderful like books, and shells, and jelly fish. The fantastic pictures of floating whales and aerodromes and ships lost at sea. The wise fish who leads him on. It's all amazing, colorful, and wondrous. It feels very much like *Where the Wild Things Are* for a boy who may behave at dinner.