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Book Review

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The world at Halloween is a scary place for a dog. While Enzo’s owner, Zoe, is perfectly at ease with the jack-o-lanterns coming to life and the ghosts, spiders, and gravestones infiltrating the neighborhood, Enzo grows more and more on edge, believing magic is real. The night of Halloween climaxes in another chase--Enzo versus his visions of dragons, witches, and skeletons. Zoe and her friends come to the rescue, explaining him that it’s all pretend, and Enzo celebrates alongside the band of trick-or-treaters.

Part of the series that includes Enzo Races in the Rain! and Enzo and the Christmas Tree Hunt, this picture book for primary-grade readers also features wonderfully colorful and thoughtful illustrations. This installment has a weaker plot conflict than the previous two Enzo stories, with a slow build-up and simplistic resolution, but it works for the audience of pet-loving readers and the holiday theme. For a story more geared to teach readers life lessons, try Enzo and the Fourth of July Races.

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Dependable

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