Goodnight Sandman

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The sandman has a lovely dream one night about delicious pistachio ice cream and accidentally oversleeps. He is late gathering sand from Dream Sand Hill! As the sandman and his friend get closer to Dream Sand Hill, they see the Night Monster sound asleep at the top. The sandman finds a way to be the Night Monster’s friend, even letting him help spread the magic dream sand.

Originally written in German, this translation is a wonderful read, especially for young readers afraid of nightmares. The soft pencil and watercolor illustrations create a soothing atmosphere that flow nicely with the theme of the story. The book uses many cool colors, tying in with the nighttime scenes in the story. Some of the wording is a bit different than a native English speaker would use, but it’s understandable even for a young child. The story is creative and encourages young readers to use their own imaginations. Overall, the words and the illustrations work together beautifully to create a story that will delight any young child.