Pete the Cat: The Great Leprechaun Chase

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It’s Saint Patrick’s Day, and Pete learns in school that you can only catch a leprechaun on St. Patrick’s Day. He decides to open a business where his friends can buy leprechaun luck, because he plans to catch a leprechaun which will bring him luck. Pete attempts to catch Clover the leprechaun but has some trouble. He tries a net, but that doesn’t work. Then he tries to play a song on his guitar to lure Clover in, but that doesn’t work either. Pete then tries to catch him with a box filled with candy, but he still doesn’t catch him. However, Clover leaves a candy wrapper trail behind him. Pete is able to catch him, but Clover explains that the best way to give his friends luck is by helping them! Pete helps his friends and they all succeed.

James Dean does a fabulous job with this book. This story has many great teaching moments and keeps the reader engaged throughout. Pete has to persevere to catch Clover and he doesn’t give up. Pete also learns that the best way to help his friends is by being there for them. The book has many colorful illustrations that help give the reader a vision as to what is going on in the story. This book is a great read in preparation for St. Patrick’s day or to read on the holiday. Children may feel inclined to try to catch their own leprechaun, which may lead to some fun activities and memories. Overall, this book has a great story with many teaching moments and will encourage young readers to use their imaginations.