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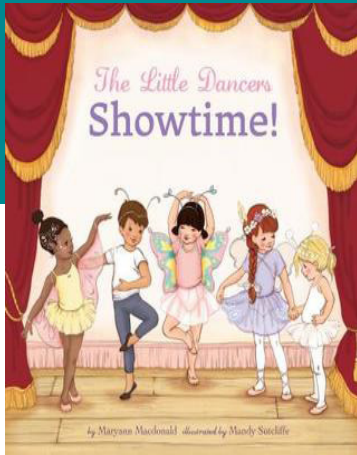
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Book Review

The Little Dancers: Showtime!

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Rating

Outstanding

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Toddler, Preschool,
Primary

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The Butterfly Ball is coming up and all the dancers are twirling, flying and spinning in preparation for the show. However, Rosa is disappointed when she receives the part of a glow worm, instead of a butterfly. As the youngest and smallest, she is insecure about her ability as a dancer, but her grandma helps her feel better. Her friend Rosa also comforts her by catching a glow worm for her. Finally, Rosa realizes how important her role is as she begins and ends the show and the audience cheers.

This sweet story will captivate any tiny dancer's attention with words that dance across the stage and enchanting illustrations of butterfly and glow worm costumes. The plot explores feelings of disappointment and insecurity and gives excellent examples of changing attitude. The book will give parents or teachers an opportunity to discuss how our point of view can improve our circumstances.