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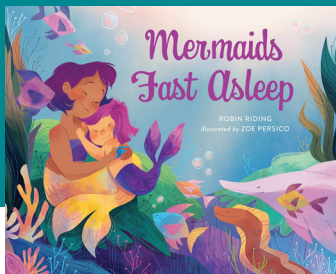
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## Book Review

# Mermaids Fast Asleep

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### Rating

Excellent

### Level

Preschool

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25

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Macmillan Publishing  
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Do you think there are mermaids way down deep? Do you think these mermaids are fast asleep? A little girl stares into water as the sun sets and imagines the mermaids down below. There are merparents rocking their merbabies. Dolphins singing lullabies. Mermaids snoring away. Mermaids counting fish instead of sheep. All kinds of mermaids that are laying down to rest after a long day.

Mermaids Fast Asleep explores the magical world of mermaids with song-like words that mimic a lullaby. The book has beautiful, whimsical illustrations. The illustrations are colorful cartoons that explore diversity. Every mermaid and mermaid family seems to have a different shade of skin. Cool colors are used, the colors getting cooler and darker as the book goes on, illustrating the night falling. The words are lyrical, but the rhymes are not completely perfect and the rhythm is a bit forced. Despite that, the book is alluring and would still be a great one to read aloud to a young child, especially at bedtime.