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## Book Review

# Tropical Terry

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### Rating

Excellent

### Level

Toddler, Preschool

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### Pages

31

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### Publisher

Candlewick Press

Terry is little blue fish living in coral reef city, home to some of the most dazzling tropical fish. While Terry has fun playing with his friends, he wishes that the fancy tropical fish would play with him too. Terry has the brilliant idea to bedazzle himself and become the most dazzling fish of all. Gaining the friendship of all the most popular fish is all fun and games until Eddie the eel shows up looking for the fanciest fish for his dinner. Terry's only option is to lose the frippery items he put on and hide. Amazed at his hiding abilities, the rest of the fish ask him to teach them, and Eddie the eel spends the rest of his days merely eating sand sandwiches.

The words and illustrations really support each other to create a great story. There are "swishy swishy swooshy" words written on the pages and fun thought bubbles that make the story entertaining to read aloud. The pictures are interesting to look at with lots of different colors combining on each page. Addressing such themes as dealing with those who don't want to play with you to learning to be yourself, the book ends on a fun note as all the fish play together and Eddie the eel has to make due with sand sandwiches for the rest of his days. Overall, this is a great story full of colorful pictures that will continue to interest young readers.