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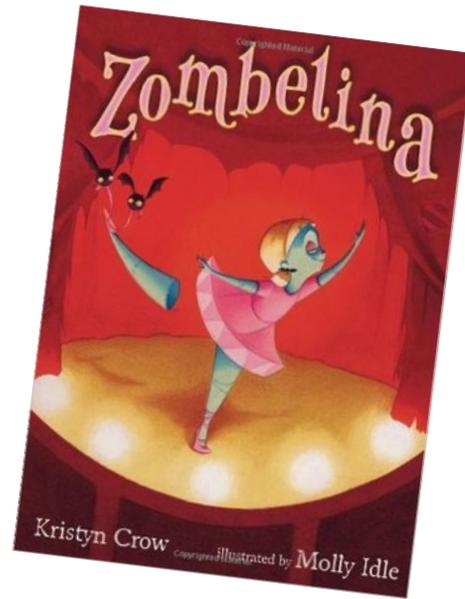
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Book Review

Title: Zombelina
Author: Kristyn Crow
Illustrator: Molly Idle
Reviewer: Jess Verzello
Publisher: Bloomsbury USA Childrens
Publication Year: 2013
ISBN: 9780802728036
Number of Pages: 32
Interest Level: Preschool, Primary, Intermediate
Rating: Outstanding



Review

Zombelina is a fantastic dancer and on her way to becoming a real ballerina. When her mom and dad put her in a Saturday night ballet class, Zombelina starts to prepare for her first real dance recital. But on opening night she gets a terrible bout of stage fright and scares everyone away! Everyone except her family, that is. They cheer and holler and Zombelina gives them a fantastic show. After the recital, the whole family heads home (along with the ballet teacher) to celebrate Zombelina's ballet debut.

Absolutely fun and beautiful, *Zombelina* has a little something for everyone. Kristyn Crow incorporated all the hooks in this book: zombies, ballerinas, rhyming, family love, bedtime, and even Halloween fun. Molly Idle's illustrations bring Zombelina to life and add to the entertaining text—like showing Zombelina's foot flying away after she gets a little "carried away." Teachers, Librarians, and parents alike will love this addition to their collection and will probably be reading this one year round for themselves and for the kids.