

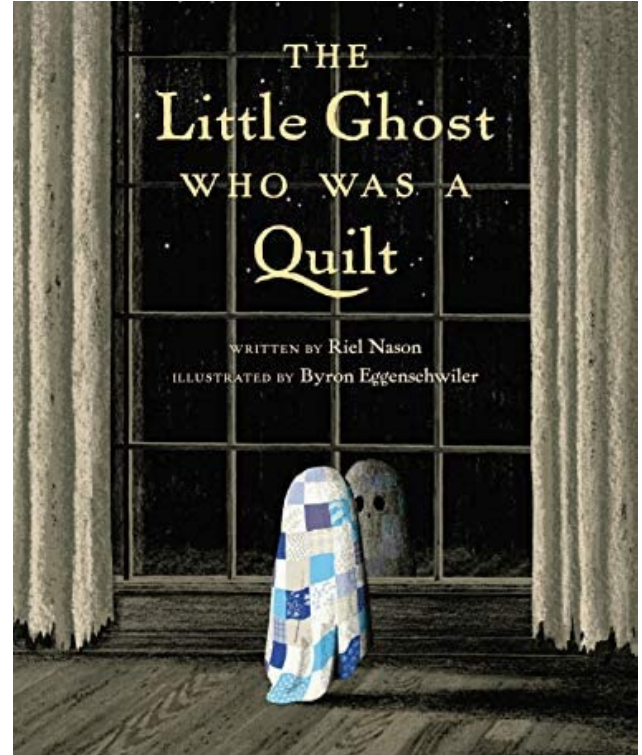


THE LITTLE GHOST WHO WAS A QUILT

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SUMMARY

The little ghost who was a quilt has always been different than all the other ghosts. They are all sheets, light and breezy, able to fly through the air, tumble, and whirl. But he can't. He's too heavy. When other tease him and he can't do the things they do, he feels lonely and sad. But is there an upside to being a quilt?



Questions:

1. How do you think the ghost feels watching his parents and friends flying around when he can't? How do you think he feels when he tries and fails?
2. Why do you think ghosts are afraid of humans? Are some humans afraid of ghosts? How would you feel if you were trapped with the something you were scared of?
3. How do you think the little ghost felt when all the other ghosts laughed at him?
4. Is it easy to be different? How do you think it feels to be different from everyone else? Does different mean bad? What can or should you do if someone is different and everyone else leaves them out or teases them?
5. Have you ever been called a name? Have you ever heard someone call someone else a name? Have you ever called someone else a name? Does any of it ever really make you feel good? If it doesn't feel good, why do people do it?
6. How would you feel if all your friends got to see something fun and cool and you couldn't see as well as they could? How does it feel to be left out?
7. How do you think the ghost felt when the woman picked him up and took him away from the porch? How does he usually feel around humans?
8. If you were his friend, how would you feel watching him get taken away when there was nothing you could do to help?
9. How does the ghost feel the longer he is with the girl? Are things we are scared of sometimes not that bad? Can they even be good? Who can think of something that some people are extremely scared of that other people really like? Heights? Snakes? Singing or speaking in front of a crowd? Dogs?
10. How do you think he felt when the girl's mother appreciated all his patterns that he always hated and was teased for? Is it possible to love and appreciate someone BECAUSE they are different?
11. How do you think he feels now that all the other ghosts think he's special?