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Editorial Review

Amazon.com Review

Amazon Best Books of the Month, March 2010: If ever there were a perfect picture book for those so-called "reluctant readers" this is it. *Miss Brooks Loves Books (And I Don't)* tells the story of Missy, a little girl who rejects just about every story that comes her way. She complains that "They're too kissy. Too pink. And too silly." The tireless librarian Miss Brooks is not about to give up, nor is Missy's mom. When Missy realizes she'd like to read about warts, Mom comes through with an inspired choice that sets this picky reader on the path to book bliss. Leave it to the pros--author Barbara Bottner and illustrator Michael Emberley to hit the funny bone with this clever and quirky new read. --*Lauren Nemroff*

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Too Kissy, Too Pink, Too Silly



Stubborn, Smelly, Snorty Ogre



Missy 1



Missy 2



Missy 3

From [Booklist](#)

A scowling first-grader in spectacles, a knitted hat, and overalls cannot stand her bubbly librarian, who dresses up in costumes for reading circle, where she introduces books about dragons, Pilgrims, presidents, and Groundhogs, even! For Book Week, everyone in class has to bring a favorite story, and the young girl has only grouchy comebacks for the other kids, who enthusiastically share books about trains (too clickety), fairies (too flowery), cowboys (too yuppity), and dogs (too furry). When the librarian sends the little rebel home with a bagful of books, she does not like any of them—until she finds a story about a stubborn, smelly, snorty ogre with warts, William Steig's *Shrek*, and that makes her grab more books about ogres, just like her. The cartoon-style illustrations extend the comedy in images of the expressive girl and her librarian, who dresses in wild miniskirts, boots, and flowers and is far from the usual stereotype. Lots of fun for avid and reluctant readers alike. *Preschool-Grade 2.* --Hazel Rochman

Review

Starred Review, School Library Journal, February 2010:

"Bottner's deadpan humor and delicious prose combine with Emberley's droll caricatures to create a story sure to please."

Review, Publishers Weekly, February 8, 2010:

"The heroine makes an indelible presence... Emberley's (*Mail Harry to the Moon!*) slice-of-life cartooning is funny, empathetic, and of-the-moment. This story should persuade hard-to-please children that the perfect book for them is out there."

Review, Kirkus Reviews, February 1, 2010:

"In a word: lovable."

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Cortney Roller:

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