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## Review of *Exclamation Mark* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

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*Exclamation Mark*

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse

New York: Scholastic Press, 2013

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Amy Krouse's *Exclamation Mark* is the story of what it means to fit in and find where you belong. The book is straightforward but interspersed with clever word play and simple drawings. Although the illustrations are simple, they are clever and follow the story. The book relies on its simplicity and straightforward message and would be useful in a classroom setting. Thematically, this book holds significance for young children, especially those who may feel different or excluded. However, this theme is not treated complexly; there are better books that communicate a similar message.

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