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Review of *Parachute* by Danny Parker

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Parachute

Parker, Danny

Illustrated by Matt Ottley

Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2013

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The world is a large, towering, and terrifying place for Toby, but as long as he wears his parachute at all times--climbing out of bed, on the stepping stool to brush his teeth--Toby feels safe. When his cat Henry gets stuck up in his treehouse, Toby must be brave and find his way back to the ground without his parachute. The illustrations cleverly contrast Toby's perspective on of the world with the truth of his situations, showing stretched out and towering angles. A sweet story about fear, courage and how it is possible to grow out of and conquer our anxieties. This a good book for teachers or parents to use with kids who have a hard time giving up comfort objects such as blankets and stuffed toys.

Recommended

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