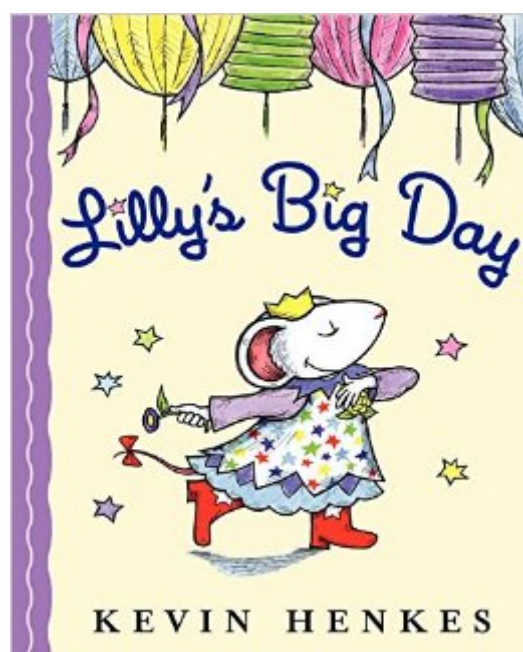


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Lilly's Big Day



Synopsis

Lilly, the star of Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse; Julius, the Baby of the World; and Chester's Way, rises to the occasion as only Lilly can, turning heartbreak into wedding cake (a delicious three-tiered frosted Swiss cheese, no less), and disappointment into friendship. This is the paperback edition of the acclaimed #1 New York Times bestseller by Caldecott Medalist Kevin Henkes. What is the single most thrilling thing that could happen to Lilly in her whole entire life? Her favorite teacher, Mr. Slinger, is getting married, and Lilly is going to be his flower girl! Well, Lilly, thinks she is going to be his flower girl. It turns out that Mr. Slinger's niece Ginger is the official flower girl. But Lilly wasn't called "the Scarlett O'Hara of the elementary school set" without reason. This award-winning and beautifully illustrated picture book about friendship, perseverance, loyalty, love, weddings, and family is the companion to the bestselling classic, Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse.

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

Customer Reviews

Our little granddaughter was preparing to be a "flower girl" at the age of 2! So reading this to her for a couple of weeks ahead of time was such a good idea -- and so helpful. We substituted the names of our own family members where we could, and ad-libbed into the book as needed. She loved it! AND she marched down that aisle with her little basket of flowers with such purpose! It was a very

exciting time -- the book was enormously helpful.

Sweet Lilly is back with another adventure for her fans. This time, she's convinced she'll be the flower girl when her teacher announces he'll be marrying the school nurse. Lilly practices and practices. "It will be the biggest day of my life," she says. But when her teacher says he's already picked his niece Ginger to be the flower girl, Lilly's heart is broken. Her teacher doesn't want to let Lilly down, though, so he lets her be Ginger's assistant. Lilly's still disappointed but she takes her new role as a flower girl assistant very seriously and brags to everyone how important assistants are in a wedding. Once it sinks in that she won't be the one walking down the aisle and carrying the flowers while everyone watches, she takes one more shot at trying to be the number one flower girl by asking over and over again if Ginger is really sure she wants to fulfill her role. Ginger is convinced she's walking down that aisle. Until it's time for her to go, of course. Ginger completely freezes and can't move. Only Lilly knows what to do. All her flower girl practice pays off as she prances down the aisle carrying Ginger, smiling brightly and hearing everyone clap when she makes it to where her teacher is standing waiting on his bride. "I knew this would be the biggest day of my life!" she says. Lilly's Big Day is geared to the 4-8 reader level but it's also a good book to sit and enjoy with younger children. The story is an easy read for budding readers and author and illustrator Kevin Henkes took no shortcuts with his beautiful illustrations. Many pages even have multiple illustrations of Lilly in action. Lilly learns patience and teamwork during her adventure. She forms a special friendship with Ginger, the girl she envied just days before. The overall story is both a good lesson and a fun read for children.

Our granddaughter who is four is going to be a flower girl in November. She was kind of afraid of the idea. I bought her this book about Lilly who wanted to be the flower girl at her teachers wedding. It's a darling story and now Sydney is talking about walking down the isle at her cousins wedding. And seems to be looking forward to it.

My 4 year old daughter adores all of Kevin Henkes' books, especially the Lilly ones. I had to refrain from telling her that there was a new one coming out until I finally had it in my hands. I must confess, though, that even though I pre-ordered the book back in January, didn't deliver when originally promised...so the wait was a bit longer. The book is worth the wait. Splendidly illustrated it teaches a wonderful lesson in coping with something that doesn't go quite according to the way Lilly dreams it will go. I'm not sure who enjoys this book more my daughter or her mommy. It is sure to be

a classic. Thanks Mr. Henkes for continuing the Lilly series.

My granddaughters love the Lilly stories. I have two granddaughters, 5 and 6 years old. The older of the two has read Lilly stories for a couple years. Lilly's escapades are memorable and understandable; easy for children to identify with. Both my granddaughters love Lilly so much they frequently ask for this grandma to take Lilly on adventures, when we are waiting at restaurants, or when we're driving in our car. Lilly is a big favorite with our whole family.

A great follow-up to Lilly's previous book. Lilly is such a unique, lovable character. Her darling teacher Mr. Slinger is getting married, and Lilly gets it in her head that she's going to be the flower girl at his wedding. Lilly is disappointed to learn this isn't the case but accepts the job as "assistant to the flower girl." Of course there's a problem at the wedding, and of course Lilly saves the day! A great story for helping kids learn how to deal with handling disappointments appropriately.

This is a great book for early elementary aged children. Lilly is one of several mice characters in a few of Kevin Henkes' books. Kevin Henkes is an amazing author...if you get the chance order and read more of his books (Wemberly Worried, Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, Chester's Way, and many, many more)!!!

My family ADORES Lilly and Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse has been a favorite in our house for the last three years. This book is just as good. Lilly is seriously every child- adorably egocentric- and kid's can relate to her wishes and experiences. It's a fun book for the grown-ups too!

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