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# The Pout-Pout Fish In The Big-Big Dark (A Pout-Pout Fish Adventure)





## Synopsis

Mr. Fish wants to help his friend Ms. Clam when she loses her pearl, but though he's fast as a sailfish, as smart as dolphin, and as strong as a shark, Mr. Fish has a secret: he's scared of the dark! Very young children will swim along with Mr. Fish as he journeys deep into the ocean to new and mysterious places. They will discover, as Mr. Fish does, the power of friendship to light the way through the big-big dark.

## **Book Information**

Series: A Pout-Pout Fish Adventure (Book 2) Board book: 34 pages Publisher: Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR); Brdbk edition (July 7, 2015) Language: English ISBN-10: 0374301891 ISBN-13: 978-0374301897 Product Dimensions: 6.5 x 0.8 x 6.5 inches Shipping Weight: 12 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (189 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #4,725 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #14 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Fish #96 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Emotions & Feelings #200 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > Friendship Age Range: 3 - 6 years Grade Level: Preschool - 1

#### **Customer Reviews**

Never have I waited for the release of a picture book with such eager anticipation! Over the past year or so I have watched hundreds of children become charmed by the story of the Pout Pout Fish , so I opened this one up with bated breath and loads of expectations. The great news is that this one more than lives up to its predecessor!The illustrations are colorful, whimsical and drawn with so much humorous detail that kids will enjoy repeatedly exploring them. The rhymes are never forced and the author has mastered that storyteller's rhythm that makes for a great read aloud. This stands out as a lighthearted approach to a very real fear that most children have - fear of the dark. It's not scary, and the repeated message that our Pout Pout is indeed too fast and brave and smart to really be scared of the dark is a good one. This one is very fun to read and I am very excited over the

prospect of reading it to my regular story time crowds. It's a bit longer than the original Pout Pout but still well within the range for a good preschool read aloud. The message that friends help each other is always a winner, and the repeating (very clever) refrain as Pout Pout Fish convinces himself that he is brave enough to help his friend both mark this one as an excellent choice for story time. Congratulations to the author for delivering another great read and making all of us library story readers sound so good!

"The Pout-Pout in the Big-Big Dark" is funny and sweet and a great Read-Aloud and I don't know why it hasn't received more press and more reviews here at and elsewhere. A follow-up to The Pout-Pout Fish, in this book Pout-Pout leaps into action when Ms. Clam loose her pearl. Trying to calm the distraught mussel, Pout-y promises to bring it back, and thus he sets off follows the errant pearl down hill and into deeper waters. Everything goes alright until it begins to get dark. Then Pout-Pout begins to have second thoughts. A voice in the dark though -- that cute lady fish from the first book-- helps him through the trying moments, as other aquatic buddies do before and after. THE SKINNY:::A nice message about friendship here, as well as one about how, with a little confidence, we can overcome our fears. I really like Pout-Pout Fish's mantra which includes strong positive points to offset his fear. The books refrain is:'I'm FAST as a sailfish, I'm STRONG as a shark, I'm SMART as a dolphin, But I'm SCARED OF THE DARK!'Pam T~mom/bloggerbooksforkids-reviews

Our two-year-old son LOVES the original Pout Pout Fish book, so I was so excited to try this one! He loves this one just as much as the first! As I'm reading the story, I love to ask him to point to things or name things that he sees in the colorful pictures. He can't get enough! This will be my new go-to for birthday presents for little ones!

Great book! We love all the PPF books! My son just loves the illustrations in these books. I love the way these rhyme and I can really express the story when I'm reading it to my son. It is such a fun read! It really helps keep him interested. I love how this book teaches my son to be brave and never give up.

My daughter, who is nearly 2, absolutely loves the original Pout-Pout Fish book. It's her go-to book when she wants a story read to her but it stays at grandma's house. So, I wanted to find another book in the seties to have at home since she is always requesting "Pout Kiss". "The Pout-Pout Fish in the Big-Big Dark" looked to have the highest rating next to the original so I opted for this one. The

story is very cute and sing-song-like, with bits of alliteration thrown in. It's super fun to read and the rhyming is done very well so everything flows nicely when reading. The pictures are detailed and interesting and you can always find something you didn't notice before. My daughter is always pointing to different things on each page so it really holds her attention and interest. This book and the original would make the perfect gift for a young reader or an expectant mother. We absolutely love Pout-Pout Fish!! I'll definitely be biting more of the series.

I was a little disappointed after reading this book for the first time. It is not as good as the first one. The flow of the story and the ease of the rhyme are missing. As another reviewer commented, the rhyming does seem forced and clumsy in certain parts of the book. The story itself is nice. It's about friendship, encouragement, and conquering your fears with the help of a friend. The illustrations are just as beautiful as the first book. The Pout-Pout Fish is a super fun read and easily one of my favorites, but The Pout-Pout Fish in the Big-Big Dark is just okay. I will say that my son loves this book just as much as the first, so I guess in the end, that is all that matters.

This book is just as fun a read as the original Pout-Pout Fish. My seven month old doesn't quite seem to care for it as much as we do (we claim it's his favorite - it's really ours), but I'm sure that will change with age. It's just such a fun book to read out loud. The illustrations are the best and they do manage to capture his attention when I read. I got a laugh today when reading and noticed that one of the fishes that lives in the Big Big Dark trench is actually reading the original Pout-Pout Fish. Kudos for sticking that in there :)

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