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# Oliver And His Alligator (Schmid, Paul)





### Synopsis

Oliver is nervous about the first day of school, so he picks up an alligator at the swamp, just in case. And boy, does it come in handy! Whenever anything scares Oliver-be it a teacher, a classmate, or the prospect of learning everything-the alligator makes the problem go away. Quickly, school becomes much simpler . . . and a little lonely. But Oliver knows just what to do! Paul Schmid's gentle, funny tale about overcoming first day of school jitters is destined to become a modern classic that fans of Olivia and Kevin Henkes' books will love.

#### **Book Information**

Series: Schmid, Paul Hardcover: 40 pages Publisher: Disney-Hyperion (June 25, 2013) Language: English ISBN-10: 1423174372 ISBN-13: 978-1423174370 Product Dimensions: 10 x 0.5 x 10 inches Shipping Weight: 15.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.9 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (14 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #162,215 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #55 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Alligators & Crocodiles #93 in Books > Children's Books > Growing Up & Facts of Life > Friendship, Social Skills & School Life > First Day of School #111 in Books > Children's Books > Early Learning > Basic Concepts > Size & Shape Age Range: 3 - 5 years Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

#### **Customer Reviews**

A super sweet first day of preschool book that is imaginative and charming. Oliver is nervous about the first day of preschool so he brings his alligator (invisible) to help him feel better. Oliver's alligator eventually swallows everyone and everything in Oliver's class leaving him alone and feeling not so scared. Oliver hears all of his classmates having class inside the alligator and decides his alligator should swallow him too. Concept is sweet and silly, not at all told in a scary way. I read this to threes and fours in my classroom and they love to talk about the story.

I was drawn instantly to this picturebook. The soft pastels are exquisite and warm. The story is just

perfect and a book that a child will want to read or be read to repeatedly. A must have for the picturebook collector or anyone who would like to delight a child.

My son is starting kindergarten at a brand new school. He is of course very nervous. This book came recommended by several teachers & it is wonderful. A different take on being brave your first day of school, but one that really has gotten through to my son. Will give & recommend to all!

Little scared kid worried about school and parents even more worried. Book helped all three of them. Hurray. Nice going.

A very simple story about a young boy with an active imagination who is nervous on his first day of preschool. Very few words, but the book is very charming.

One of the most darling children's books I have ever read. The illustrations are simple and very appealing to my boys, ages 2 and 4.

I love this story! Great for the beginning of the school year, especially for children nervous about going to school!

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