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# Ollie The Stomper (Gossie & Friends)

## Ollie the Stomper



Olivier Dunrea



## Synopsis

Fans of the Gossie & Friends books will enjoy little Ollie and his big personality as he finds his way in the barnyard. Irresistible characters and delightful text make these board books perfect for springtime reading and sharing.

## Book Information

Age Range: 2 - 3 years

Lexile Measure: 270 (What's this?)

Series: Gossie & Friends

Board book: 16 pages

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## Customer Reviews

Ollie the Stomper is a follow-up to Olivier Dunrea's Gossie and Gertie series for baby/preschool readers. Ollie is the younger brother to the older goslings. And like younger brothers everywhere, he follows the bigger kids around. You see, "Gossie wears bright red boots" and "Gertie wears bright blue boots." Ollie stomps around after them, wanting boots, too, as the bigger kids have adventures (very gentle adventures, like jumping over a puddle, or hiding in a pumpkin patch). Finally Ollie takes a stand, standing up on an overturned bucket and demanding: "I want boots!" Gossie and Gertie each give him a boot, though he learns that boots may not be as desirable as he had previously expected. This story is a natural as a board book edition. Each page has a short, five or six word sentence and a self-contained picture. For much of the book, Ollie is on the left-hand page, while Gossie and Gertie are on the right-hand page, with parallel actions and word choices (Ollie stomps, Gossie and Gertie romp, for example). The pictures of Ollie are priceless. Even though his

face is mostly beak, Dunrea is able to convey a range of emotions through Ollie's body language, eyes, and spiky feathers. This book is sure to please preschoolers who like to stomp, tromp, and romp, and jump over puddles. And who doesn't love goslings? The board book edition will stand up to the many retellings that are likely to be requested. This book review was originally published on my blog, Jen Robinson's Book Page, on April 12, 2007.

After buying all of the Duck and Goose books for my great granddaughter, I wanted another series for my new great grandson. Ollie filled the bill (no pun intended). Adorable books and a moral in each one. My one regret is that there is not a stuffed figure of Ollie for him to hold. Duck and Goose each are on the shelf with those books and it makes the books more lovable. The pictures in the board books are bright and the adventures of Ollie makes us all (adults and kids) laugh and sigh. The grandmothers give toys and clothes so this great grandmother has the title of The Book GG. Makes me proud!

My 2 1/2 year old loves these books, especially the ones featuring Ollie. This is his second adventure and the first in which he is seen throughout the entire book. The illustrations are beautiful and the story is simple and innocent. Great fun.

We have several of Olivier Dunrea's Gossie & Friends board books. Toddler and preschoolers can enjoy these simple yet descriptive books about Gossie and her friends. This particular book is about Ollie who stomps after his boot wearing friends, Gossie and Gertie. He wants to wear boots, too. Pages from the middle of the book are as follows: "I want boots! Ollie shouts." "Gossie and Gertie stomp to Ollie" "Gossie gives Ollie a red boot. Gertie gives Ollie a blue boot"

I totally enjoy reading all of these books to my grandson! My grandson enjoyed Gossie so much that I bought just about the whole series of books. I think we only need two or three more to complete the series! I strongly recommend any of them!

Dunrea tells simple stories, with endearing water color art, relatable by preschoolers everywhere. I love the Gossie books, and was so excited to learn that Ollie was given a sequel. This is a cute story about a little guy who tags everywhere after his sisters, doing everything they do, stomping along the whole time he does it. I always imagine my younger brother, growing up with two big sisters. :)

Bought for my Niece. She likes books because she likes to read. She hasn't said if she likes this book or not but I'm assuming she does, otherwise she would have said something, because she complains a lot.

My daughter demands we read this to her at least once a day. She loves the pictures and characters, and as parents we like the message (that sometimes you want things that you don't need, and often the simple pleasures like swimming with your friends are more enjoyable than material possessions). We were also blown away with the fact that this book arrived in less than 12 hours.

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