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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 4–6—Rose is different from the other children in her class in many ways. She struggles to control the obsessions and outbursts that are symptomatic of her high-functioning autism. She is fascinated by homophones, or homonyms, as most people know them, and prime numbers. Rose uses patterns and habits to gain some control over her days. Her mother left when Rose was two, so she lives with her father, and is also cared for by her Uncle Weldon, who lives nearby, and who often shows Rose the most understanding and compassion. When her father brings home a lost dog, Rose names her Rain, since she was found in the rain, and "rain" is a homonym (with "reign"). During a superstorm, her father lets Rain out, and Rose's beloved companion is lost. Rose and her uncle finally find Rain after a long and difficult search, but they learn that Rain is actually Olivia, the pet of a family who lost everything in the storm. Told through Rose's voice, the story gives readers the perspective of someone who sees life in black-and-white, and who struggles when rules are broken, or routines are changed. The characters around Rose develop incrementally as readers witness their reactions to her obsessions and her struggles. Though Rose's story is often heartbreaking, her matter-of-fact narration provides moments of humor. Readers will empathize with Rose, who finds strength and empowerment through her unique way of looking at the world. A first purchase.—MaryAnn Karre, West Middle School, Binghamton, NY

Review

"Rose is a character we root for every step of the way. She is resilient, honest, and, in her own odd way, very perceptive; a most reliable narrator." *?The Horn Book, starred review*

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"Simplicity, clarity, and emotional resonance are hallmarks of Rose's first-person narrative, which offers an unflinching view of her world from her perspective . . . A strong story told in a nuanced, highly accessible way." *Booklist, starred review*

"Martin has penned a riveting, seamless narrative in which each word sings and each scene counts." ?*Kirkus Reviews, starred review*

"Newbery Honor author Martin (A Corner of the Universe) is extremely successful in capturing Rose's perspective and personality..." ?Publishers Weekly, starred review

About the Author

Ann M. Martin is the author of *Ten Rules for Living with My Sister*, *Ten Good and Bad Things About My Life*, and *Everything for a Dog*, all from Feiwel and Friends. She won a Newbery Honor Award for *A Corner of the Universe*, and is the author of the beloved Baby-sitters Club series. She lives in upstate New York.

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