

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is set in a mystical forest inhabited by fairies, mischievous spirits, and a group of bumbling actors. The tale begins with a love triangle between Hermia, Lysander, and Demetrius. As they make their way through a series of misunderstandings and magical interventions, the story takes an extraordinary turn.

In this book, I particularly enjoyed the mischievous antics of the fairies, led by the playful Puck. They cast enchanting spells on the characters, causing them to fall in and out of love with the wrong people. The confusion that happens because of this adds lots of humour to the story.

One of the most memorable moments in the book is when the characters stumble upon a group of amateur actors rehearsing a play. The hilarious interactions between the actors and the magical creatures provide great entertainment. It's fascinating to see how everything intertwines as the story progresses, leading to a joyous and unexpected ending.

I would highly recommend this book to children who enjoy tales of magic, adventure, and a touch of humour or to anyone who enjoys William Shakespeare's plays. The illustrations by Tony Ross beautifully complement the story and help bring the characters to life. It is a story that celebrates friendship, love, and the transformative power of dreams.

In summary, A Midsummer Night's Dream - A Shakespeare Story is a fabulous book that takes readers on a magical journey into a world of fairies and love-struck characters. Andrew Matthews has done a brilliant job in retelling this classic play and I thoroughly recommend this book and others in the "Shakespeare Story" series!

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