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I read the first few chapters and realized that my boys ages 9 and 8 might really like the book, so I began reading it aloud to them before bed. It's perfect for reading aloud: short, interesting chapters written in simple yet descriptive terms. They were hooked. Who was this mute boy who showed up on the porch and what would happen to him? The ending was unexpected. My 8 year old cried. But both boys said it was their favorite book so far this year. Target audience reached. I almost shelved this book on my parenting shelf because it has a lot to say about parenting. Which brings us to the crux of the matter: right off will KIDS want to read a book that has so much great stuff about PARENTS? There are those transitional short chapter books that focus on adults which have found good readership: Sarah, Plain and Tall perhaps, but they are few and far between. And this little book is primarily about the grown ups. A childless couple finds a boy on their porch, a boy who can't speak but who possesses great and amazing gifts in the arts: music and painting particularly. He can communicate with animals in a fashion as well. But the book is entirely from John and Marta's perspective, not Jacob's. EVER. A great statement about foster parenting, the gift it is to children, and how children's unexpected relationships can enrich our lives beyond our expectations. And it's beautifully written with succinct short chapters and just enough said. I'm going to be curious to see who picks it up, grown ups or kids. This beautifully written book reads like an adult short story. The child, Jacob, in the story is mute and the point of view comes strictly from the adults. Jacob plays, draws, and interacts with the people and animals, but he never speaks.

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out loud It reminds me of the book, *The Prince Who Fell from the Sky*, that has a boy who has no dialogue in the story This technique makes me identify with the adult voice and seems off kilter for the target audience of children I liked the adult perspective on the uncertainties of being a parent, but will young readers connect with the characters and plot I m not sure The pacing might be slow for some young readers, but oh my, I do like how Sharon Creech puts sentences together Just as Jacob taps out songs and sounds on any object he can find, Creech has a rhythm to her sentences that makes me want to sing My only question is the audience and what students will think of the book John and Marta find a six or seven year old boy, Jacob, abandoned on their porch with a note asking them to look after him The note says the person will come back and get him, but as time passes it seems very unlikely Because Jacob can t speak, John and Marta cannot find out any information from him about his past and who wrote the note Months go by and they come to love the boy like their own child making them fearful of him being taken back and marring their happiness as a family A nice message regarding what makes a family. This story is about the transformation of John and Marta from a childless couple to learning what it means to love and care for a young boy John is worried Jacob isn t boyish enough while Marta worries about him not having friends They nurture his talent for music and painting and do not bully or criticize him In return, he loves them unconditionally The two struggle with telling the authorities about the lost boy because they don t really want him to be found by the person who left the note They eventually do the right thing, but almost lose the boy over their choice Creech shows how their decision was from a good heart, even if misguided The story also shows the lack of laws in place to protect children from parents who don t know how to parent In this regard, it might be a good book for a book club with grade 5 students The story is only 150 pages so it is a quick read The plot is well organized and the tension from wondering when or if the parents will come back for the boy kept me turning the pages Like I said, I just don t know if students will take interest. I loved how this book made me feel 3 It was almost like I was there with the characters A truly amazing family story From Newbery Medal Winner Sharon Creech Comes A Singular

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Newbery Medal Winner Sharon Creech Delivers A Poignant Story Of Finding Family When You Least Expect It A heartwarming little story about what words like home and family really mean The story is simple, but Jacob s joy is infectious and there s a lot of emotion in just a few pages.

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People talking without speaking People hearing without listening People writing songs that voices never share And no one dared Disturb the sound of silence Paul Simon 1964

Marta wasn t completely convinced that the boy was unable to talk She wondered if he just was not ready to talk to them, or if he needed to recover from some horrible experience Maybe he simply needed time Always, too, at the back of her mind was the worry that the closer they came to know the boy and the they loved him, the harder it would be to let him go

A boy suddenly appears on the porch of a young couple named John and Marta The boy is accompanied by a note that reads, Plees taik kair of Jacob He is a god good boy Wil be bak wen we can The boy takes to the couple s farm as if he s been there forever The couple takes to the boy, who gives meaning to their lives The boy has a stunning and seemingly

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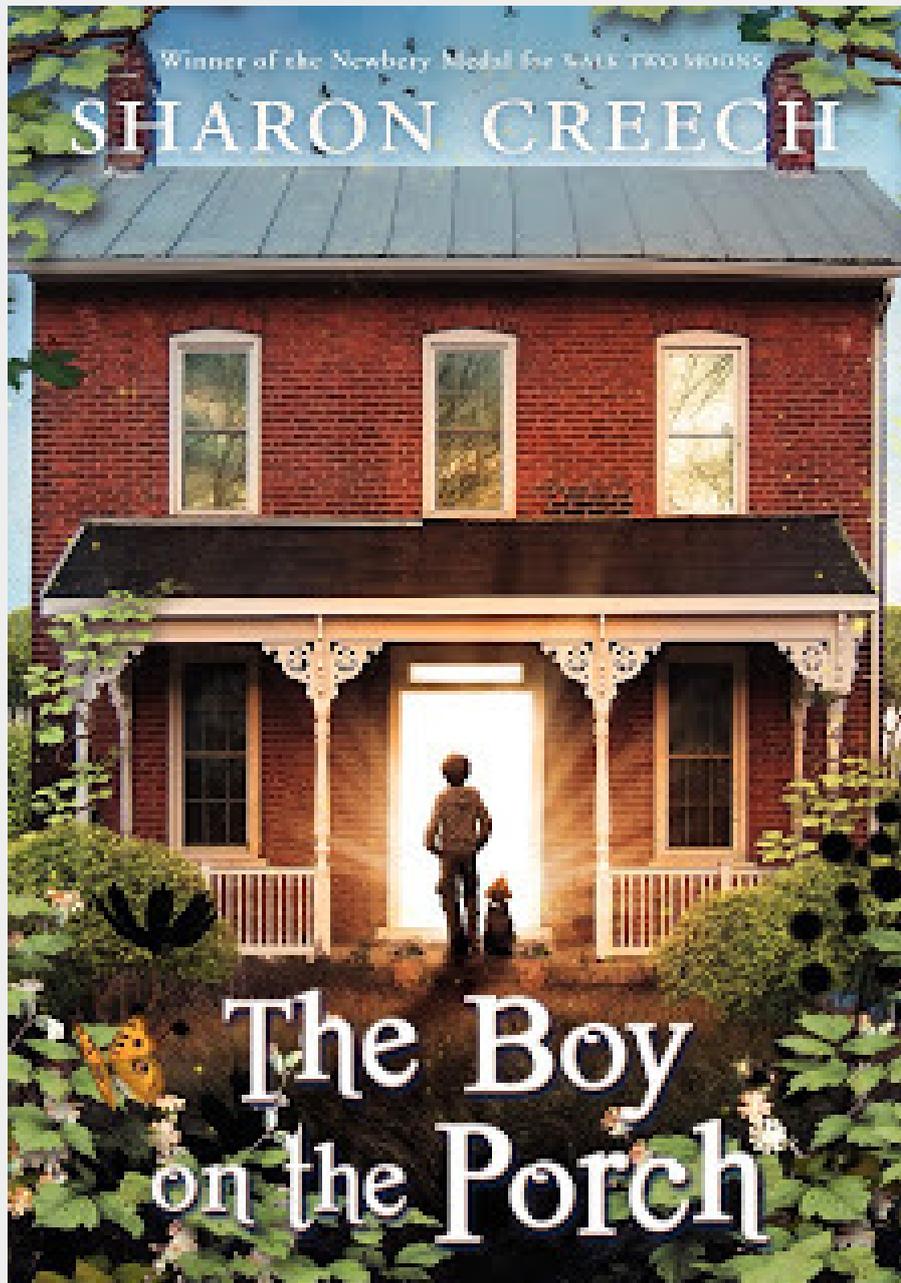
innate talent for making music and art, and the couple provide him instruments and art materials to feed his growth. But the boy cannot or does not speak a sound. Given that the boy maintains his silence, and that the entire story is told from the couple's perspective, there is a growing mystery to unravel. As the couple falls and in love with the boy, their fear of losing him heightens. For some reason, the young couple has also, previously, had a beagle appear at their farm. And subsequent to the boy's mysterious arrival, a cow also appears. The boy learns to ride the cow. The cow, the beagle, and the rest of the animals at the farm adore the boy. But where did he come from, and do they really only get to be with him for a limited time? If the boy is taken from them, will they hold onto the openheartedness that they have developed, in part, thanks to the boy? It's better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. Alfred Lord Tennyson 1850. Just seeing Sharon Creech's name on an advance copy is good reason to rejoice. But this hauntingly beautiful story about loving without limits, overcoming fears of loss, accepting that which is, and the sounds of silence, is a truly special and memorable tale. Richie Partington, MLIS. Richie's Picks. Beautifully written book. Wow those short chapters that make you keep reading with adult protagonists and a fascinating little boy. It might appeal to parents than elementary school kids, in so far as the story is really about two grown ups who open their hearts to this little child, and the tale's tension is whether they will keep or lose this child. Plus, I'm glad this book is not about teaching a nonverbal boy to speak. It's about loving a little boy for being himself, and giving him the materials art supplies, guitar to give him the voice that is right for him. Yay. The shift to foster care reminded me of CHARLOTTE S WEB and Wilbur nurturing those three spiders and their descendants. John and Marta loved these little kids, but their boy was in a class all by himself, just like Charlotte is said to be in that gorgeous ending. This makes me think that this story is NOT about two adults saving a child. It's about a child saving the adults. Teaching them to open up their home and find love. I think kids will not enjoy the ending as much as adults will, because years have passed, and to a child's point of view, the titular boy on the porch is no longer a boy. Yet I feel like writers should take storytelling risks like these, and publishers should take those

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risks too Think of MRS FRISBY and how an adult can really work as a protagonist The kids can learn empathy for people young and old, the better their perspective. John and Marta find a young boy asleep on their front porch with a misspelled and cryptic note saying that someone will be back for him The boy doesn't speak, but the note indicates his name is Jacob He seems to have a way of communicating through tapping, but John and Marta don't understand The two are leery of contacting the local law enforcement, because they are mean, so just get him clothes and try to do the best they can to raise him Jacob shows an affinity for music, loves the dog, and seems frightened of his past The law is eventually involved, the father shows up, and Jacob is wrenched from John and Marta, who are devastated but soon start to take in foster children. Strengths Creech writes beautifully, and this would be great for teachers who love her work or that of Patricia MacLachlan The tie in with foster care could be used if a group were making blankets for My Very Own Blanket. Weaknesses This struck me as a book mothers would read in a book discussion group Jacob, since he is mute, is not very engaging, so most of the perspective is from John and Martha It is very slow paced I also wish that a clear date had been given for the setting, since I had concerns about Children's Services not being notified It seems to take place in the 1930s or 1940s, but this is never delineated. This was a library book my son and I both read and enjoyed While not the fastest paced story, and with a rather ambiguous setting, we both genuinely enjoyed this short, sweet novel about how a couple transforms their lives when a mute little boy arrives on the porch of their old farmhouse The book straddles the line between whimsy and gravitas as necessary for a child's audience, it also is told entirely from the perspective of the adults, giving kids a different experience than a lot of middle grade fiction today 3 stars, as its pace will turn off impatient readers.



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