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By Katherine Tegen
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From the creators of the bestselling The Story of the Easter Bunny
In a faraway village lives a talented little shoemaker—who also happens to be a leprechaun. He keeps the gold that he earns from making shoes hidden away in his home, where he thinks it will be safe. But one day a greedy man named Tim spies the leprechaun’s pot of gold and tries to steal it! How can the little leprechaun outsmart Tim and make sure his pot of gold will be safe forever? In this original tale, Katherine Tegen has captured the magic of the wily leprechaun, while Sally Anne Lambert’s glowing illustrations bring him to life.

**Synopsis**

A big hit with the grand-kiddoes and this grandma! Not only is the story a cute one, but the illustrations are great! The wee ones like looking for the fairies in each scene and enjoy how the leprechaun tricks the greedy man. The explanation of the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow was spot on to my wee ones. This grandma purchases seasonal books that only stay out for a month at a time, so my grand-kiddoes look forward to the ‘new’ set of "lap-time" books each month. This one was a hit! So glad I decided that St. Paddy’s Day needed to be added to my rotation!

I loved this story! I was looking for a story about leprechauns that was basic, kind of an introduction
to the mythical little people and one that was not too wordy. I teach preschoolers so generally if there is more than five sentences per page I know I am going to lose their attention. This book totally delivered! It is a story about a leprechaun that is caught by a human (who is actually very tricky himself) and forced to grant the human three wishes. The leprechaun grants the three wishes in a very tricky way which makes the human regret being so tricky himself. The story has a little forward that tells the reader/listener what a leprechaun is, it's a cute way to introduce the legendary little people.

But the story was average IMO...I expected more since everyone had such good things to say...it wasn't bad but really just average...don't know if I'd get it in a hardcover for that reason...wasn't worth it to me

The story is clever. The prose is well written. The illustrations are lovely with magical, fun details. My 5 year old loves it and I enjoy reading it to her. We'll definitely buy our own copy.

A sweet nice store of a leprechaun. Love the soft illustrations. Not to cartoony. The story is much better than the usual leprechaun stories.

Read it to my daughter's kindergarten class for mystery reader before St Paddys day. They requested two encores. They really enjoyed it.

It was fun. We liked that the leprechaun could grant wishes. We liked the tricky leprechaun. It was awesome and funny.

I am a librarian and my students loved it, I will purchase this author's Easter book to use for story time.

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