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A fun new boy has just moved in next door to Grace's best friend, Mimi. When Grace has to go away on a family trip during school, she is terrified that when she comes back Mimi will be best friends with Max instead! After her trip, not only does it seem her fear has come true, but Mimi is even friends with the disgusting Sammy. Now Just Grace has to team up with two other Graces in her third-grade class for a school project, including the Big Meanie.

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Jill says

This is an interesting book--as I was listening to it, I was trying to place how old Grace is. According to our catalog, she is 7, which puts her around 1st or 2nd grade, yet I would say that the reading level is more around the really good 3rd grade or even 4th grade level. Since kids usually want to read about kids who are older than them, I wonder how much appeal it would have for the target reading level. Grace is really cute, though, and has good ideas and since her grade or age is never mentioned, it might work for the older kids, even though some of the things she says and does makes her seem very young. Definitely perfect for those super advanced readers, though. There are other "Just Grace" books and I will definitely be recommending them.

Christie Tulloch says

Still Just Grace was another good story about Grace. I enjoyed the sequel as well as the first book.

Yana "Always Forgets to Log Out" Gaskell says

Slightly better than the first book. Getting a little boring but ill still probably finish the series.

Lenna says

This book looks like a 3rd-5th grade book, but it is for a 1st-2nd grade interest level.

Seana says

I must have liked the author's previous book a lot, because I gobbled this one right up directly after. (They are easy books to read while sitting at the information desk waiting for customers, if I need any justification.) This book expands Just Grace's world a bit more, and our look into it as well. A consistent strength of these books is to deal with the problems of friends and non-friends and the reevaluation that sometimes happens in a gradual and realistic way.

I loved the project that the Graces do at the end of the story. Grace's projects are pretty delightful in general.

Andie says

I LOVED it!

Nancy Basile says

What a fun, fun book. I listened to this with my kids in the car over a period of several days. They actually requested to listen to it, rather than the usual request to watch DVDs. Read by a young girl, and written to sound just like a 3rd grader, the book really hooked my kids. Made me remember what it's like to be a kid and how I can't always assume I know what's going on in those little heads.

Cheyenne says

an awsome book

Darla says

I am a big fan of Just Grace. Despite her efforts to shed the "Just" part of her name, that extra identifier really fits. In this second book in the Just Grace series, Grace deals with change and gets to work on her powers of empathy. As she navigates changes with her grandmother and with her best friend, Mimi, we see how she is maturing and learning to adapt. There are also some great language project ideas demonstrated by the kids in the book. Reading this book reminds me of what it was like to be a 7-year-old and learning to be more independent and responsible. Would make a fun classroom readaloud for early elementary grades. If you like Judy Moody, you will love Just Grace!

Dani Heller says

Still Just Grace is the second book in the Just Grace Series by Charise Mericle Harper. Grace is a third grader with a special superpower that she calls her "empathy power." Grace doesn't like it to see people unhappy and she always tries to fix the situation. This book is called Still Just Grace because her teacher and classmates refer to her as "Just Grace," since there are 3 other girls named Grace in her class. One of the other Grace's is very mean and as Grace narrates the story she refers to her as "The Big Meanie." In this book Grace and her best friend Mimi get a new student teacher at school, Mr. Frank, and a new boy on their street, Max. Grace and Mimi do everything together. They walk to school together, play at each others houses and watch their favorite show Unlikely Heroes. When Grace goes to Chicago to visit her grandmother Mimi and Max become friends. When Grace returns home, she is sad to see that her best friend is now friends with a boy! To make it even worse another boy Sammy from their class begins to hang out with Mimi and Max. Then when Grace thinks things can't get any worse she is paired with Grace W. and The Big Meanie for a group project, while her best friend is with her new friends.

The three Graces learn to work together and Grace learns that it is okay to have more than one friend. I really enjoyed reading this easy reader and think that girls in 2nd or 3rd grade would really love this series! It is written from Grace's point of view, and at times it is as if you are just reading her thoughts like a diary. Within the text there are big bold titles as well as little illustrations, that are supposed to be drawn by Grace. The small pictures within the text really add to the book and make it interesting.

Cherese A. Vines says

This is a very smart, and realistic look at life from a third grader's point of view. I especially liked Grace's empathy power. Grace learns that things are not always what we think they are and neither are people. Good read.

Asriani says

Setahun berlalu sejak kejadian "Grace Aja" yang menyebalkan. Tahun ini semuanya masih sama. Karena nama itu tetap melekat pada dirinya. Apa lagi ia masih sekelas dengan ke tiga Grace lainnya. Jadi wajar saja kalau tahun ajaran baru di kelas empat ini ia masih kesal. Terlebih lagi ada guru praktik baru, yang ternyata memanggil Grace F hanya dengan Grace.

Masalah berikutnya datang ketika seorang anak laki – laki bernama Max pindah ke sebelah rumah Mimi. Awalnya Grace memang sempat khawatir kalau – kalau Mimi, sahabat terbaiknya itu akan menjadi lebih akrab dengan Max. Namun semua kekhawatiran itu tak sempat lagi dipikirkannya saat ia menghabiskan liburan bersama neneknya di Chicago. Sehingga ketika kembali dari liburan, Grace menjadi sangat kaget ketika tahu bahwa kini Mimi menjadi lebih akrab dengan Max. Bahkan sekarang Sammy Stringer, anak laki – laki yang dulu sangat dibenci Grace telah bergabung bersama mereka.

Namun semua itu tak diungkapkan kepada Mimi. Karena secara mendadak Mim menjadi bersin – bersin begitu Grace mendekat. Selidik punya selikid, ternyata semua itu diakibatkan bulu – bulu kucing yang menempel pada baju Grace.

Hubungan Mimi dan Grace pun semakin renggang. Terlebih saat proyek kelas, mereka tidak berada berada dalam kelompok yang sama. Grace akan mengerjakan tugas itu bersama ketiga grace lainnya. Mimi sendiri ternyata memilih Max dan Sammy. Grace semakin sedih dibuatnya.

Beruntung, ada satu hal besar yang menarik perhatian Grace. Yaitu ketika tahu bahwa ada seseorang yang membutuhkan bantuannya. Orang itu tidak lain adalah Mr Frank, guru praktik, yang ide-idenya selalu ditolak oleh Miss Lois, sang wali kelas. Dengan kekuatan empatinya, Grace yakin kali ini misinya akan berhasil. Apalagi mengetahui bahwa ke tiga Grace lainnya, terutama Grace F, ternyata tidak seburuk apa yang dipikirnya selama ini.

Dibanding buku yang pertama, saya lebih menyukai buku ini. cerita kali ini benar – benar menyentuh. Rasa empati Grace membuat saya sangat tersentuh. Grace menjadi sangat keren karenanya. Tidak banyak anak – anak seperti itu.

Rasanya tidak sabar untuk membaca kisah Grace lainnya.

Ivonne Rovira says

Charise Mericle Harper's *Still Just Grace* proves even more delightful than the first book in the series, *Just*

Grace, with lots of unforeseen changes for 9-year-old Grace Stewart. A new boy moves onto her block and into her class, and new friendships arise. *Still Just Grace* still maintains the same real-kid voice and the same fabulous cartoons as in the first book — both guaranteed to make you giggle and smile.

Grace visits her Grandma in Chicago, who has sold her home and is moving into an assisted living apartment building, and her teacher, Miss Lois, gets an innovative student teacher, Mr. Frank. I don't want to give too much away, but, as with *Just Grace*, *Still Just Grace* explores how appearances can be deceiving. Once again, Grace calls on her "teeny tiny superpower," empathy, but this time, it seems her superpower has infected others. All in all, readers — whether children or adults — will find that Grace is still just as creative and wonderful as ever in *Still Just Grace*.

Dolly says

We've just begun reading the *Just Grace* series by Charise Mericle Harper. This book takes us on a road trip to Chicago and back as Grace's family helps her Grandmother move. And then she chronicles her day-to-day school life, with conflicts and challenges galore. We really liked her project with two of the other Graces in class and her changing relationship with Grace F.

After reading the first two books, our girls are split: our oldest loves them, our youngest doesn't really like them at all. Perhaps it's the journal-style writing or the fact that Grace is about the same age as our oldest, but the stories certainly appeal to her. And the illustrations are similar to her style of drawing, so she loves them. Overall, we have enjoyed these books and will continue to read them, even if it's as an independent read and not something we share as a family.

Cheryl says

Charise Mericle Harper is quickly becoming a favorite author of mine! Her ability to articulate the thoughts and voice of a young child is impeccable. Her ability to use that limited child-like vocabulary in a way that is engagingly humorous while still presenting a wonderful life lesson is amazing.

In *Still Just Grace*, the empathetic Unlikely Hero begins to have jealous feelings when her neighbor and best friend, Mimi, seems to be gravitating toward new friendships. Just Grace is forced to be school project teammates with her worst enemies, while Mimi and her new BFFs spend all their free time working together on a project of their own. Ultimately, Grace learns to find friendship in unlikely places and that misunderstandings can be resolved.

Miss Harper's only downfall, if any is to be found, is that the covers are so distinctly girl oriented that boys will be unenticed to pick up these hilariously profound books. With abundant boy characters and classic one-liners such as "Booger Pie," the stories will appeal to boys and girls alike!
