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It's hijinks on the high seas! Starr's grandmother, Abuela, is getting remarried, so she's taking her family on a Mexican cruise to meet her fiancé and his family. But is this couple a good match? Starr and her new friend, Ivy, decide to put their love to the test. Featuring diverse characters and the theme of accepting differences.

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From Reader Review Starr and the High Seas Wedding Drama (Flower Girl World, #3) for online ebook

Erica Elwell says

This is a great early chapter book. It's basically about 2 girls (I'm guessing around 8 or 9 but I don't remember if it states exactly) that meet after ones grandma and the other's grandpa decide to get married after meeting on a cruise ship. To introduce each other to their respective families they all decide to take a cruise together. The girls are quite different but quickly bond when they decide they want to work to break up their grandparents. One lives in California and the other in Texas and they are worried about where the grandparents will live after they are married. Once problems do occur between their grandparents the girls are sad and decide to work together to try and save their relationship.

There isn't a lot of depth of character for any of the people in the book but I do like that Starr's family is Hispanic and they use quite a few Spanish words (with pronunciations and definitions in the back of the book). The problems are all quickly resolved but pretty much what you would expect for a book written for young readers looking for an easier fun read.

I would reccomend this for 2nd grade on up.

Thanks to NetGalley for a copy of this ebook.

Paul Franco says

Not sure how old the main character is, but let's say pre-teen Starr and her family join her grandmother on a cruise where she's getting married. Starr isn't keen on the marriage and, with the help of the groom's granddaughter Ivy, schemes to mess up the blessed day.

Starr takes her name too seriously; she wants to be a movie star, whereas Ivy plays a mean electric guitar. At first reticent to get to know each other, they bond for all the wrong reasons. At one point they justify their actions by saying they're putting the grandparents' "love to the test." Yeah, that's not ominous at all.

The story is good, but the presentation is what sets it apart. The characters are beautifully drawn, and I mean that literally. The perfect drawings continue all the way down to the cute dolphin chapter header. The graphics are great too, most of them funny. One invitation reads "Dress fancy!" while a chapter heading screams, "Go team!" It's like good emoji choice.

All very cute and perfect for upper grade school, maybe junior high.

Dena (Batch of Books) says

Starr's grandmother is getting married! At first, Starr is excited about it, until she meets the granddaughter of her soon-to-be grandfather. Ivy doesn't want their grandparents to get married and convinces Starr it's a bad idea. The two girls try to show their grandparents that they're too different to get married. Soon, the girls find out that sometimes people's differences that make them the perfect fit.

I have three daughters, so pink, girly books are a staple in my house. Since we've read all the other books in this series, it's no surprise that my kids liked this one too. My eight year old reads them to her younger

sisters, who sigh with happiness at the end.

I like the conflict and the resolution in this particular book. Each book has a different conflict, and none of them are blatant repeats of previous books. I like the way the two girls originally decide to break up their grandparents, but become friends along the way. Also, both the grandparents and the girls are so different from each other, but manage to see past that to what makes the other person special. Their relationships end up stronger because of it.

Content: clean

Source: I received a copy of this book from the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

My blog: Batch of Books

Janice says

Starr's grandmother is taking the whole family on a cruise. The only catch is Abuela will be getting married. She asks Starr to be her flower girl. (this is part of the Flower Girl World chapter book series)

At first Starr is excited about the wedding then she meets Walter's granddaughter, Ivy, who points out that the couple don't have much in common plus they live so far apart that one of the granddaughters' will lose a grandparent to another city. So the girls decide to point out to the couple how wrong they are for one another.

Starr and Ivy are guaranteed to learn some lessons and, maybe even, their grandparents too.

For middle grade.

Carla Johnson-Hicks says

This is the third book in the "Flower Girl World" series. This is definitely an early chapter book series for girls. It is a cute story where two very different girls come together despite their differences to solve a problem and become friends.

Starr's Abuela is taking the family on a cruise to meet the man she wants to marry. Grandpa Wade brings his daughter and grand-daughter so they can all get to know each other. With one family living in Texas and one in California, the girls suddenly decide that their grandparents do not know each other well enough and they decide to try and break them up. Of course their plans all backfire, but when Wade and Abuela have an argument, can the girls fix it and make them see what they loved about each other in the first place. A cute read for girls ages 8 to 11.

The back of the book has questions and a website that will provide other ideas and activities for girls. A cute book for elementary school libraries and class libraries.

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Donna Maguire says

I thought that this book was enjoyable, it had a good plot and ending and can see it being another firm favourite in the Flower Girl World series.

Kristi Bernard says

Starr Rubio and her family are going on a cruise. They'll be attending her Abuela's marriage to Walter. Abuela and Walter met on a cruise. His family will be joining them too. Walter has a granddaughter around the same age as Starr and her name is Ivy. The two will be flower girls in the wedding. The girls have a few other things in common, they both like to sing and dance and both are afraid of what this marriage will do to their families. Starr and her family live in Texas while Ivy and her family live in California. Starr worried her grandmother would move to California and she wouldn't be able to spend much time with her. Ivy worried her grandfather would move to Texas and they wouldn't have their special times. Together they come up with a scheme to pull the happy couple apart. First, they convinced Walter to take a BFF test they found in a teen magazine to prove he doesn't know everything about Abuela, but getting to know each other is part of the journey and the couple were happy to learn more about each other. Then the girls entered them into a cooking contest. Abuela was so worried about Walter and his fumbling around with the food that her own dish failed and Walter won the contest. At first Abuela seemed hurt but at dinner she bragged about Walter. Once again, the girls plan failed. It was then that the girls realized their grandparents loved each other and should be together, that is, until the grandparents had their first fight. It all started with a soccer game. Starr and Ivy had never seen their grandparents so angry. It would now be up to the girls to make sure the couple reconciled and move forward with the wedding, but how would they do it?

Author Lynelle Woolley has created a heartfelt story about family. Readers will learn that everyone doesn't have the same likes or dislikes and it's our differences that make us unique and interesting. Readers will also learn that love can sometimes make us do foolish things and be able to accept someone for being who they are. This story also shares Hispanic culture and what it means to be a part of an extended family. The characters are fun and engaging. Illustrator Karen Wolcott has sprinkled black and white images throughout the pages to share the emotion of the characters. This book is directed towards girls and would be a fun read-aloud for a book club.

Laura says

Starr Rubio's Abuela has a surprise for the whole family. She is going to take them on a cruise. But the surprises didn't end there, Abuela was getting married to Walter. His family was coming on the trip also. Things got even more exciting for Starr when she found out that she and Walter's granddaughter were going to be flower girls.

But when Starr met Ivy, she soon discovered they were very different. Starr was excited about Abuela falling in love and getting married. Ivy wasn't happy with the changes that would take place when her Grandpa married Starr's Grandma. Could these two girls become friends?

Starr and the High Seas Wedding Drama is the third book in the Flower Girl World Series chapter book. The story moved along quickly with plenty of tension to keep younger readers engaged. There were a few words

in Spanish sprinkled throughout the text, with glossary and pronunciation guide at the end. Sharing other cultures is a great way for children to want to learn new languages as well as cultures.

I feel the characters would be easy for young girls to identify with. The feelings, experiences and interactions were very true to life.

I would recommend this series for children that can read chapter books by themselves. It is also appropriate for a bit younger age group to have parents or caregivers read it aloud to them, especially if they are going to be flower girls in a wedding.

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Christopher Stevenson says

Cute book that examines the possibility of new grandparents and cultural exchange. Marketed toward little girls.
