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While Big Witch prepares for her big tea party, Dorrie attempts to babysit a baby goblin and discovers that even little goblins can be big trouble.

## **Dorrie and the Goblin Details**

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# **From Reader Review Dorrie and the Goblin for online ebook**

## **Barb says**

I read all the Dorrie books when I was little, and found them quite fascinating.

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## **Lizzy says**

Very good read, excellent pictures, good story, likeable characters surprise ending, excellent card trick.  
What's not to like?

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## **Robin says**

Goblin-sitting is hard work!

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## **Flora says**

I really loved this book as a child. I lived in quite a well ordered house on a farm, but would have much rather been a witch with mismatched socks and a cat called Gink.  
It provided escapism, and I read it when I was in junior school- it is a great resource for discussing behaviour implications.  
I would place it as being suitable for year 1-2, but quite honestly I enjoy it now. My favourite themes within the book were activity that escaped adults, unpunished bad behaviour, and the existence of something more interesting than everyday life. I also suspect that this is why I like stripey socks.

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## **Melissa says**

It's a very cute book. I used to read this to my youngest daughter, she loved it.

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## **Kathryn says**

Dorrie is an adorable little with whose stockings don't always match, has a cat named Gink and some very interesting friends and adventures! This story is so cute!!! I love the darling illustrations and the imagination behind the story. I know I would have really, really wanted to go to a "Magic and Tea Party" when I was little (okay, I want to go to one NOW!) And I like how Dorrie's kindness with the goblin that everyone else shuns has such a surprising and beneficial result.

This is one of the few Dorrie books at our library and I have no idea if it's one of the better ones in the series, but I just count myself lucky to be able to read ANY at no cost to myself and I hear they are terribly difficult to find. Thanks to my friend Abigail for bringing this little gem of a witch to my attention! :-)

(This story need not be read at Halloween but it would make a gentle and fun sort of Halloween read. The story is a bit longer than most picture books and the illustrations are not the glossy full-color spreads most kids are used to these days, but I still think that children who like wordier stories books and are interested in magic and stories with fun characters and interesting scenarios would enjoy this!)

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### **Behemoth says**

The art is adorable, somehow sharp and foggy at the same time, but the narrative is labored. It feels like a lot of work to get to the place we finally arrive at.

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### **Alaina Sloo says**

An oldie but goodie early reader series that's also fun to read aloud to younger readers. Especially liked by girls (who gravitate toward the covers), but boys generally like Dorrie's bumbling and catastrophic flubs, too, when they pick up the books.

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### **Elizabeth S says**

I just love Dorrie. Why isn't anyone reprinting this series????

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### **Rachel Fellows says**

My youngest is starting to enjoy longer books, so I picked this one up off her big sister's bookshelf and gave it a try. She loved it. I love the old school charm of the illustrations because they evoke a sense of nostalgia in me. And I don't think I can ever pass up a book that has a clever girl as its lead. But the writing could be a bit stilted and repetitive at times. This is fine for its target audience but as a read aloud for me, it got kind of dull at times.

In this volume, Dorrie has to contend with a trouble making goblin before guests arrive for a very important tea party.

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