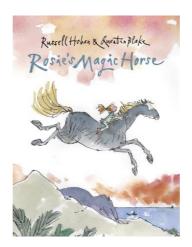
Story Time: Years 1 and 2



Rosie's Magic Horse by Russell Hoban



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Book Summary from LoveReading4Kids

This is a story that could have come only from the imagination of Russell Hoban, brought vividly to life by the picture-book supremo Quentin Blake. This story begins with an ice-lolly stick. Its sweetness gone, it lies discarded and lonely...until a little girl called Rosie comes along. She places it carefully in her cigar box, full of other sticks. Without our ice-lollies we are nothing, says an old stick. But this new stick wants to BE something and into the minds of all the old sticks he plants dreams...maybe they can be something, too.

What about Rosie? That night she dreams of helping her parents pay the bills. And so, at the stroke of midnight, magic and dreams collide and a HORSE gallops out of the cigar box! His name is Stickerino. Where to? he asks Rosie. Anywhere with treasure! she answers and hops on his back. Then begins an adventure like no other...ice-lolly mountains by the sea, caskets of gold, and pirates foiled by a stickling ice-cream van.

Discussion Prompts

- 1) Stickerino's treasure mountain was made of ice-lollies. What would YOUR special treasure mountain be made of?
- 2) Rosie dreamed of having a secret, magical pet. If you could have any secret magic pet to go on adventure's with what would it be?
- 3) What would your trick plan be to get the treasure from the pirates?
- 4) Rosie wanted to help her mum and dad. If you could get anything to help your mum or dad or your grown up, what would it be?