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At the very edge of Dimwood Forest stands an old charred oak. A great horned owl, Mr. Ocax, waits there. With his piercing gaze, he surveys the lands he calls his own, watching for the creatures he considers his subjects. None dares disobey him, until the night a courageous deer mouse named Poppy boldly defies him, only to find herself in terrible danger. To lead her family to a better life, will Poppy battle Mr. Ocax to the end?

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Samantha says

I usually love owls, they are majestic and brave and wise.....I can't really say the same for the antagonist in this lovely tale. Mr. Ocax is a great-horned owl that I can't really say I like. He is a marvelous antagonist. Not my favorite, but still one of the best I've encountered in my many years of reading.

Poppy is a very brave heroine. She is small, scared and mistaught all her life. She loves deeply and grieves extensively for her boyfriend Ragweed who was sadly eaten by Mr. Ocax on the night he proposed to Poppy...he was actually about to receive her answer when he became Mr. Ocax's next meal. Because she and Ragweed broke some stupid rules laid down by Mr. Ocax, her family is denied permission to move into a second dwelling outside of Mr. Ocax's domain.

Mr. Ocax calls himself the king of Dimwood Forest. All the mice believe this statement to be true. Ragweed never believed it for a moment, and now Poppy doesn't either. She believes there is another reason for Mr. Ocax's refusal towards her father's request for their family to move. In order to discover what it is, Poppy leaves her family to go see New House. Her adventure takes her to the other side of the forest and across a bridge to a more recent dwelling place of humans. What did she find there? Well, if I said.....where would the adventure be in that?

An adventure of Epic proportions (especially for a deer mouse), Poppy will leave you with a new perspective on the potential for courage, hope and love. A must read. Beautiful descriptions in the forest and ongoing excitement, Poppy does not disappoint. =)

Amber says

"She knew better. Look at all the trouble she'd caused. Just then she hated herself for having loved Ragweed. But just to think that thought made her heart ache."

This is the second Avi book I've ever read, but I will sleep on his books no more. Poppy, our young mouse heroine, faces real danger in the vengeful pursuit of Mr. Ocax, a great horned owl who instills fear and loathing into the mice inhabiting the abandoned Gray House. I loved the rich descriptions of the forbidding yet lush forest and the dark nights teeming with shadows of life. Animal society within the ranks of the food chain has some psychological complexity: The predatory owl becomes uncomfortably insecure in his power once he sees a new competitor, the mice are even more timid than usual in their ignorance fashioned by the mighty owl's whim, the porcupine is a solitary and selfish creature whose piercing armor enables his devil-may-care attitude. "Poppy" is a tale of courage and survival populated with delightful creatures just trying to make it in the world and navigate their relationships with one another using whatever cards Nature dealt their hand.

Kristen Luppino says

I read this as part of what our 4th graders are reading for book bowl. I really enjoy Poppy as a female lead and her exploration of leadership. Wish I had realized it was the second book in a series earlier, but fun nonetheless! Also deals with death and other tough subjects in a thoughtful way.

Sheri says

I read this for 5 years straight as a read aloud to my third grade class and they loved the story. They even checked it out and read it again themselves. Great book with animals and a great story of courage of Poppy.

Loralee says

I think technically we were supposed to read 'Ragweed' first, but the kids didn't have any problem following along and keeping up with the characters. This is one of the best books we've read together in terms of forcing the kids to really think about why certain characters act and think the way they do. They really made connections about the character's motives and how that plays out in the story. They also loved the map at the beginning and we kept referring back to the map to help us understand where events were taking place. They loved that aspect of the story. There was lots to talk about with this one.

Marika Gillis says

This is a cute story about a deer mouse who, with a little help from a cranky porcupine, saves her family from the clutches of a great horned owl who has been deceiving and bullying the mouse family for years. The animals in this book are amazing characters, so well-developed and engaging. I want to find a way to use this book with my third graders next year, and I will definitely read this one with my kids one day!

Hrishi says

I loved this Book. Poppy (The main character) went with Ragweed to Banuk Hill. Mr.Ocax (a Great Horned Owl) was the ruler of the territory is what the mice thought but Ragweed did not believe that and he and Poppy went to Banuk hill but unfortunately Ragweed is eaten up by Mr.Ocax. She manages to escape but is injured. When she returns home(Gray House) her father(Lungurat) has a emergency meeting that informs everyone in the family that there is not enough food to feed the family and we will have to move and to do that we must ask Mr.Ocax's permission. So he chose Poppy to go with him. But when they get there Mr.Ocax did not give them permission to move because she and ragweed disobeyd him. Then Poppy knew that something was fishy. So she set out to find out what was really happening in the New House. When she sets out she find out what is happening she faces dangerous animals but she finds out in New house that there is...
read the book to find out.

Amy says

One of the best read alouds ever! Starts with a bang...and ohm the writing is so great! Vivid verbs, great descriptions, always becomes a classroom favorite! I've read every year since 1999!

Katie Lawrence says

I really wanted to like this book, especially because it is by Avi who I consider to be a really great author. I also am a big fan of animal hero books like the Redwall series and Watership Down, unfortunately this book did not live up to either of those series. Poppy is a strong enough heroine and the story is somewhat realistic with regard to how nature actually works. I think some of my students would be traumatized by the speedy, barely dealt with death of a main character in the first chapter of the book. I also was bothered by how Poppy's family treated her throughout the book.

Colleen says

Zach read this in class, liked it so much, checked it out from the library and read it again. A story of being strong even when you are afraid, and not letting the powerful control you when they rule with cruelty.

Joey Osborne says

In the 1st some chapters I did not like the book but then when Poppy when the see New House the story got better because Poppy when on a adventure so the story got better and at the end the story changed a lot.

Amelia says

This book is a long book and you probleby think you can not read it but READ IT because it is SUPER interesting and you get more and more into it as you read.

Mackenzie L says

The book was excellent but, the first chapters were boring. I think that when Poppy met Ereth,the whole entire book, you could not put it down. That was how great it was!

sarafem says

Really, there are too many damn kid's stories about mice. What is the attraction? The Tale of Desperaux, the Ralph Mouse Cleary series, about a billion picture books. And now this series too. I guess mice are cute when they aren't poing in your silverware drawer or chewing through your favorite sweaters. I don't really get the attraction. I only read this book because it was Avi; I had no interest in yet another mouse story. These books multiply as if they were rodents themselves. That's not really fair for me to say; I liked all of the above stories, including this one. It's just that there is nothing to convince me to pick it up and read it other than pure chance.

There are a lot of themes in this book - friendship, family, keeping promises, survival, doing the right thing. Maybe there are too many themes in fact - yeah, we get it, good little mousey. It's a good story, and if you happened upon it, I think you would enjoy it. It is not so great that you should rush out and buy it now, or ever really. Your life will not be lessened by never having read about Poppy, but it is not time wasted either.

Michael M says

I thought that this book was a really good book. I liked how the book had all these challenges that a normal person would think easy like when Poppy crosses the stream. I also liked how Ereth would call Poppy names like Plopy and Flopy and that cracked me up. I liked this book a lot and I thought this book would be great for anyone who likes books that you can never put down and are very exciting.
