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Beatrix wins the Science Fair every year--because she uses magic to cheat! But Olive really wants to win this year, and she has the best science project EVER. Then something bad happens! The sisters' projects turn into a super-stinky, super-moldy blob monster! The blob is ALIVE and growing bigger and smellier by the minute! Can Olive and Beatrix stop the blob before it swallows up the school?

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Barbara says

Part of the Olive and Beatrix series about two sisters who have very different approaches to life, this second title in the series focuses on that ubiquitous of school activities--the science fair. Olive's experiment involves mold, and Beatrix's consists of clouds. Olive has used science to support her experiment while Beatrix relied on magic. Naturally, the girls argue as they prepare to set everything up in the gym, and their two projects end up combined in a heap on the floor. Problems ensue since the bubbles and clouds blossom into a fast-growing moldy blob, which threatens to take over the entire room. The blob even engulfs Houston, Beatrix's beloved pet pig. With some help from Olive's friend Eddie, the twins use a little bit of magic and then a little bit of science to get rid of their large, smelly, green problem. This title might be good to share with students right before or after a science fair. Undoubtedly, they will laugh at parts of the book, especially those last couple of pages, which may prevent them from ever eating "molded" green jello again. The illustrations are quite colorful, and will hold readers' interest. This is a clever idea for a series, but it also serves as a great way to practice reading skills for new readers without overwhelming them with too much text.

Judy Ann says

I thought this was a good book and I enjoyed it. It will be a nice book for my neighbor's grandchild. Glad I won this as a goodreads winner.

Caleb Beadel says

So all olive is an ordinary girl Beatrice is a witch with a talking pig. The problem they had was they had to defeat a big blob, and it almost swallowed the whole school. The thing I liked was how Beatrice froze the blob and they used science to defeat it. I would recommend this book

Valerie says

Thank you, @kidlitexchange network for the review copy of this book! Opinion is my own! ♥? One sister is a regular kid and the other is a witch! Part of Scholastic's Branches series, which I love, this book is fun and will appeal to 1st and 2nd graders who are ready to jump into chapter books! The illustrations are bright and interesting. Questions and activities are included in the back of the book!

Tracy says

Thanks to the @kidlitexchange network for the review copy of this book - all opinions are my own.

The OLIVE & BEATRIX series features two fully illustrated books with comic-style illustrations. Beatrix is a witch, but her twin sister Olive is just a regular girl. Olive doesn't believe in magic—she's a scientist at heart. Their sidekicks are their neighbor Eddie and a precocious (and talking) pet pig. A lot can go wrong when sisters are at odds, and these two pit magic against science, with the two sisters ultimately agreeing that both come in handy once in a while.

The books are straight-forward enough for our new kindergarten reader to tackle by herself, yet entertaining enough that the 2nd grader grabbed them for her bedtime reading. The story lines are quite thin, but that didn't seem to bother either of the young readers in our house.

Amanda Sass-Henke says

It's not often that this happens, but the second book in this series is better than the first. Yes, I enjoyed *The Super-Smelly Blob* more than *The Not-So Itty-Bitty Spiders*. Why? One word: science.

Once again, Olive is trying to best her sister. This time Olive plans on winning the science fair, which is usually done by Beatrix with her magic. Unfortunately, Olive's plans go awry, and the twins must work together to fix the mess they made. In this book, though, not only are the twins' problem-solving skills useful, but they must also use their scientific knowledge to save the day.

Amy Marie Stadelmann's Olive & Beatrix series makes for a fun read together or independently. After finishing this book, I was disappointed that there isn't a third one in the series. Maybe Olive & Beatrix can put their skills together to make this a reality?

Recommended for ages 5-7.

Holly Letson says

I enjoyed the blob practically taking over the school on the day of the science fair. I also thought it was funny that so many children called in sick to skip school after having been served chunks of the blob for dessert with their cafeteria lunch. And, it was great that neither girl won the science fair.

Thanks, Scholastic, for the review copy.

Ellie says

Not bad - I didn't really love the characters, they just felt kind of bratty to me. However, I think kids will like it and I'll recommend it to those making the transition between readers and chapter books. Full-color illustrations and comprehension questions at the end. Also, I purposefully did not read the first in this series and it literally didn't matter for the story - feel free to recommend reading these out of order.

michelle says

Thank you so much to the author for providing #KidLitExchange with a finished copy of this book for review purposes! All opinions are my own.

The Olive & Beatrix books focus on twin sisters. Olive is “ordinary” and loves science, nature, and exploring. Her sister, Beatrix, is less than ordinary as she was born at midnight on a full moon and is therefore a witch. She has a brain full of tricks and uses her magical powers to play pranks on Olive and her best friend, Eddie.

In this book, Olive is tired of Beatrix always managing to win the science fair due to an unfair use of magic. She and Eddie come up with great entries, but a battle between the twins over which table to set up on ends in both of their projects falling to the floor and turning into a super-smelly moldy blob that starts oozing through the school swallowing up everything in its path. Once again, the twins and Eddie use a combination of magic and scientific know-how to stop the blob and get everything back in order.

My 6 year old adored this book and read it multiple times in 2 days. A great new series for emerging and reluctant readers full of fun and awesome illustrations.

Kimberly says

Thank you @kidlitexchange for providing me with a copy of this book to read and review. All opinions are my own.

Olive and Beatrix are twins, but that’s about all they have in common. Olive is very smart, enjoys reading and especially loves science. Her sister, Beatrix, is a witch and uses magic to solve absolutely everything - including the science fair. Olive is really proud of her project this year, but is nervous that her sister will use her special powers to help her cheat again. The two have more to worry about when they start arguing and their projects end up mixing together. Science and magic aren’t a good combo and soon the twins are chasing a giant moldy blob all over school. Once again they have to find a way to use both of their strengths to work together and solve this messy problem.

My seven year old loved this book and had a great time trying to predict what would happen next. It was a quick story with each page containing short sentences. It has a bit of a comic book feel with the vivid, fabulous illustrations and the characters having speech bubbles. There’s also some great comic relief from Eddie, the singing, next door neighbor, and Sir Houston, a sarcastic, talking pig. I really enjoyed the science talk in this book. The last page includes some discussion questions and activities.

This is another great addition to Scholastic Branches. Fans of Owl Diaries should love this series too. Book 2 is Olive and Beatrix: The Not-So-Itty-Bitty Spiders

Jo-ann Walsh says

Another adorable Olive and Beatrix adventure from author Amy Marie Stadelmann! Olive and Beatrix are twins, but Beatrix is a witch and Olive is a normal girl. In "The Super-Smelly Moldy Blob," Olive, Beatrix

and Olive's best friend Eddie are getting ready for the science fair. Olive and Eddie are tired of Beatrix always winning because she uses her magic, instead of science, to win. On the day of the science fair, Olive and Beatrix fight for the spot at the best table. They drop their experiments and when they collide, a giant smelly moldy blob forms! Olive, Beatrix, Eddie, and Houston the pet pig must work together to stop the moldy smelly blob before it eats up everything and everyone in its path!

Olive and Beatrix are adorable and relatable characters. The talking pig, Houston, is also a hit with kids. It's great how the characters must use teamwork to solve their problem. Fans of "Branches" books will love Olive and Beatrix. The part graphic novel/ part text and great pictures is a big draw. This book is geared for first-second graders, but readers of all ages will enjoy Olive and Beatrix!

Bmack says

Another good Branches beginning chapter book series. Series is about twin sisters but one is a witch and one is smart and they solve problems. Guided Reading Level N.

Lauren- The Smile Lines says

Olive & Beatrix are quite a pair! They are curious twin sisters with one being a witch and the other being an 'ordinary girl.' They have a lot of fun together with tricks and mischief throughout their days. What kid wouldn't love reading about spiders, messes, and blobs!! I really like how the characters are introduced in the beginning of each book. You get to know and like them right away!The author, Amy Marie Stadelmann, does a great job keeping the reader laughing and interested with the character's conversations, in bubbles, on each page. At some points, you will even sing a quick song!

My kids love magic spells so these books were just perfect for them! It is as if you know Beatrix and Olive (and best friend Eddie) by the end of the stories. It is great to meet characters that are interested in Science projects, insects, and curious about everything!

We look forward to reading more from this series in the future.

*Thank you to the kidlitexchange for providing me with these books. All opinions are my own.

Maximilian Lee says

I liked this book because I like super smelly moldy blobs (mostly because of the blob part) . I also liked this book because I like science experiments.

Suzanne says

Branches keeps coming up with fun ideas for its emerging chapter book readers. I love the Eerie Elementary stories, but some young female readers may wish that for a main character who is also female. Ta-da! Now there are Olive and Beatrix - twins who happen to be very different. Beatrix is a witch and even has a talking pig named Houston. Olive is an ordinary girl, but very smart and scientific, with a friend named Eddie. In this book, the three kids all want to win the science fair. The girls are busy arguing over who gets to set her display up on the table closest to the judges and...OOPS...the projects go crashing to the ground and get

mixed together. Suddenly the girls, Eddie, and Houston are rushing to save the school from a giant moldy blob! (It reminds me a bit of *Cream of Creature from the School Cafeteria* by Mike Thaler.)

With plenty of sibling rivalry, a face-off of science versus magic, and the humorous commentary by Houston, this is a story that never leaves you bored. Great for readers who enjoy the *Eerie Elementary* stories or for those who want something with a bit of magic but are too young for *My Sister the Vampire*.

I read an e-book provided by the publisher through edelweiss.
