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When their neighbor Mrs. Teaberry hurts her foot, Mr. Putter and his fine cat, Tabby, volunteer to walk her dog for a week. They soon discover that Zeke isn't a dream dog after all. He might even be . . . a nightmare! After three days of Zeke's tugging, wrapping around trees, and chasing other dogs, how will Mr. Putter and Tabby make it through the week? Illustrator Arthur Howard captures their humorous predicament in lively watercolor-and-pencil illustrations.

Mr. Putter & Tabby Walk the Dog Details

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From Reader Review **Mr. Putter & Tabby Walk the Dog** for online ebook

Marie says

"Who will walk my little Lollypup?"

Little Miss and the Legomeister says

I love Zeke! The people and animals in these books have so much personality.

I love these books, the whole series. They are warm and funny. Mr. Putter is so earnest, and kind, and polite. It's just that funny things keep happening to him. The illustrations are very expressive, they really communicate the emotions of the characters, especially Tabby.

These books are written for children who have outgrown "early readers" but are not quite ready for "chapter" books. They're still easy to read and have a picture on each page, but they have more words on each page, and an increased vocabulary. So I really, really recommend Mr. Putter if you have a child at that stage. I also recommend Mr. Putter for reading out loud.

Legomeister **loved** these books when he read them, and now Little Miss is reading them and she loves them too.

Julia Orr says

The owner wanted what really happened in the book not to happen to the dog. He chased other dogs. He wrapped Mr. Putter and Tabby to a tree with the leash. Zeke was a nightmare. He dragged them through houses they had never been to before. Then the big dogs decided to chase Zeke. Zeke knew what a deal was and Mr. Putter told him to be nice so he would give him a reward. Then after that, Zeke was a dream dog.

Amy says

Well, Mrs. Teaberry's good dog Zeke wasn't so good in this installment of Mr. Putter & Tabby. Sadly, this installment wasn't so good either. It was ok, but it was a bit repetitive, and as I read this to the kids I sort of felt like they were waiting for the story to go somewhere. When it did finally go somewhere, I didn't like where it went, and then I was sort of left wondering if it reinforces to the kids that in order to deliver good behavior a reward must be promised first. This is a belief that I'm currently trying to disabuse my nephew of, and Mr. Putter's solution to his troubles with Zeke did *not* help me out there. Of course, it's also likely that the kids completely forgot about this book as soon as we finished reading it, and if that's the case, then it still

doesn't warrant more than two stars.

Molly Craig says

I ADORE Mr. Putter! Cynthia Rylant and Arthur Howard are two of my all-time favs -- they're an outstanding duo. The Mr. Putter & Tabby series is an exceptional mix of delightful stories that show an older man and his beloved pet getting into the same kind of mishaps small children stumble into.

Ann M. Noser says

My daughter and I LOVE to read this series together. Funny, Charming, Cute illustrations!

Sarah Hannon says

Personal Reaction - I liked this book because I thought it told a cute story of Mr. Putter and Tabby the cat trying to walk the dog.

Purpose/Use in the Classroom:

Read-aloud:

- Good for a unit on pets
- Good for a unit on friendship and kindness
- Enrichment for younger students before they can read the transitional level book for themselves

Independent Reading:

- Good for students who are interested in animals, specifically pets.
- Good for students who need to read about friendship
- Good for students who are beginning to read transitional books because it has small chapters within the book.

Narrative:

- The conflict of the story is that Mr. Putter and Tabby the cat have to walk a dog that they learn is not as well behaved as they would have thought.
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Miriam says

Not as good as the first book, Mr. Putter & Tabby Pour the Tea, but still cute. My favorite illustrations were of Mr. Putter and Tabby collapsing together after the huge chore of walking a small dog.

Okay, that does look like a hassle. And I'm not judging others' tea-dessert-napcentric lifestyle.

Henry says

MCL. I didn't care for the ending.

The Reading Countess says

Mr. Putter attempts to help his good friend, Mrs. Teaberry (hurt by an errant kiwi), by walking her dog Zeke. Unfortunately, Zeke is not a dream dog, he is a nightmare-and so the hilarity ensues. Rylant's familiar repetition adds a level of comfort to our night time ritual. She is simply the best.

Dolly says

This is a cute story, the second book we've read in the Mr. Putter and Tabby series. Our girls really like them. This story involves Mr. Putter and Tabby doing a kind deed for Mrs. Teaberry, their neighbor, by walking her dog while she was laid up with a bad foot. Zeke, her dog, is not quite the dream dog they expect, but they manage to get through the week anyway. Fun story to read aloud.

Alex says

I did not like this book because I do not like dogs. I also did not like this book because I did not like the part when they said that Zeke was a "nightmare." I also did not like this book because I do not like nightmares.

Becky says

First sentence: Mr. Putter and his fine cat, Tabby, lived next door to Mrs. Teaberry and her small dog, Zeke.

Premise/plot: Mr. Putter & Tabby Walk the Dog is the second book in the early chapter series by Cynthia Rylant. In the first chapter, Mr. Putter decides to help a neighbor for a week when she becomes unable to walk her dog. Mrs. Teaberry assures him that Zeke is a DREAM dog who never tugs, who never wraps around trees, who never chases other dogs. The second chapter opens with this sentence, "Zeke was a nightmare." The chapter chronicles the first three days. Zeke misbehaves; Mr. Putter and Tabby return EXHAUSTED and in need of treats. The first day: "When Mr. Putter and Tabby got home, they had to have some warm milk and pudding and a nap." The second day: "When Mr. Putter and Tabby got home, they had to have some warm milk and popovers and a nap." The third day: "When Mr. Putter and Tabby got home, they had to have some warm milk and shortbread and a nap." The third chapter chronicles the last four days; Mr. Putter and Tabby decide to approach walking the dog differently. They've resorted to bribery. Will Zeke be a dream dog if he's rewarded for good behavior?!

My thoughts: I really enjoyed this one. The writing was excellent. I loved the narrative style. Rylant is a

great storyteller. I would definitely recommend this series. And treat yourself by beginning at the beginning.

Mandy says

Mr. Putter and Tabby sign themselves up to walk Mrs. Teaberry's dog Zeke for a week after she falls and is unable to walk him. Initially Mr. Putter thought that walking Zeke was going to be easy because Mrs. Teaberry tells him that Zeke is a "dream dog." Soon enough, Mr. Putter and Tabby find that Zeke is more of a "nightmare" than a "dream dog." Their adventure is humorous and will delight young readers. This book was okay. I have read many other Cynthia Rylant books and this one was not my favorite. This book would be most appropriate in the kindergarten and 1st grade classroom. The vocabulary was advanced at some points, but should not stop a beginner from enjoying the story.

Wade says

That dog be crazy
