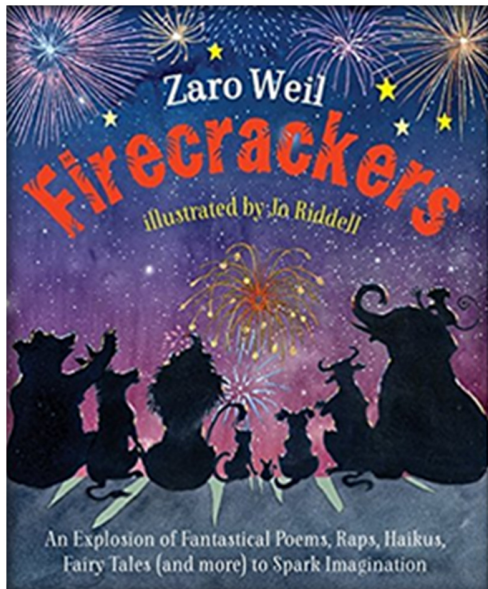


## LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **Firecrackers** By Zaro Weil Illustrated by Bella Gomez

Below are the complete reviews, written by the LoveReading4kids members.



**Lucas Blake, age 7**

*This is a really good book to share with your family or read by yourself, especially if you love animals - the haiku poems sound like the animals wrote them themselves!*

*I like the 'when I was' poems because they are really funny and I am going to try writing one myself.*

*I like the little haiku poems. The animal ones sound like the animals wrote them! I liked reading the plays out loud with my family and choosing the character I want to be and the voices they speak in. I change*

*my character if I realise something bad is going to happen, like the wolf being cooked in a pot!*

*The pictures could be alive if they were in colour. My favourite story is 'The Explorer Giant and the Little Dog'. I felt sad for the lava who was woken by the giant but pleased it didn't hurt the creatures. This is a really good book to share with your family or read by yourself, especially if you love animals.*

**Abbie Collings, age 5**

*I love the front cover and the poem 'Winter' is my favourite at the moment as it is really snowy outside right now!*

*Me and my Mummy have been very busy reading these poems. We take it in turns to read one each. I love the front cover. I haven't got to the stories yet but*

*I love this book.*

### **Abbie's Mum**

*This is a lovely collection of poems and there are also a few fairy tales as well. The front cover is inspiring and we loved the title 'Firecrackers'. **Abbie really enjoys poetry and she has spent a lot time flicking through the book to choose poems to read aloud. Certainly a collection to be treasured.***

### **Sam Briggs (& Mum), age 8**

***An array of fun, serious, interesting and intriguing stories, tales and poems to read with your child or for them to enjoy alone.***

*We enjoyed reading this book full of poems, folk stories, fairy tales and plays. It was nice to just pick up the book and see where it fell open and let that decide what page we read. We also loved the beautiful illustrations that accompanied the words. It's hard to choose our favourite, as they're such a mix but we both enjoyed reading 'The Three Little Pigs', a rhyming play as it was funny. Lots of interesting words and vocabulary made good talking points along the way. A book we'll enjoy for years to come.*

### **Elissa Watkin, age 5**

***'Firecrackers' is a beautiful book that would make the perfect gift. Packed with poems and fairy tales the book is a fantastic read for children.***

*I loved the Firecrackers book.*

*At school we have been learning about springtime and I took the book in as it had lovely poems about spring.*

*I like the way there are stories and then poems and the pictures are amazing. **I will keep this book for ever and ever and will always enjoy reading it.***

### **Jack Radford, age 6**

***A fun filled book of verse, poetry and stories. We loved it! It was really fun to read them all aloud.***

*This is a beautiful book full of rhymes, poems, songs and stories. As a parent, I thoroughly enjoyed sharing this book with my son. He enjoyed listening and inventing his own verses alongside those in the book. The illustrations are lovey. Jack was keen to read more and more each night. His words were, "this book is great - you don't know what is coming next! I really like all the dog poems lots.*

**Esmay, Year 7 Thorp Academy**

***'Firecrackers' is an excellent book to dip in and out of because of the different elements to it such as Poems, raps, haikus and fairy tales which would be perfect for any reader!***

*Readers of any ability would enjoy it because there are short simple poems to longer stories and I spent a long time reading through it! I couldn't put it down until I had read the majority of the content. My personal favourite is "If I Lived in Giggleswick Town" because it is fun to read and has a great rhythm to it which I really loved.*

*Such a great book to browse at any time!*