Lovereading4kids Reader reviews of
Seen and not Heard by Katie May Green

Below are the complete reviews, written by Lovereading4kids members.

Ruby, age 5 and Nicola (adult)
We really enjoyed this book. We loved the pictures – very atmospheric and we also enjoyed the rhyming text.

Ruby’s favourite character was Lily Pinksweet. My favourites were the De Villechild twins who certainly didn’t look like perfect angels as we were told.

Ruby’s favourite part of the book was when the children ran riot.

This was a lovely book to share and the beautiful illustrations stimulated lots of discussion, as did the children’s names.

Libby and Florence Bridgeman, age 7 and 4
'Seen and Not Heard' is a lovely picture book that held the attention of both girls very well at bedtime. They found it funny and delightful!

'Seen and Not Heard' is about the children who live in the portraits of Shiverhawk Hall. By day they look like delightful, angelic children staying exactly where they are put. But by night....that’s a whole other story! The illustrations are delightful, Ms Green has captured the look on a small child’s face when they are thinking of naughty things almost perfectly!

Robert Anderson, age 4
A great laugh!
I was doubtful at first if my son would enjoy this picture book. As a consequence of the cover illustration I wondered if it was more aimed towards a young female audience. I could not have been more wrong.

We both loved it. When asked which character he liked best he said 'the twins with the big, white bows'. No further explanation was given. He enjoyed finding the three white mice, who are a on majority of the spreads. He was quite impressed by their doll's house home and asked 'Can I have three mice in a house like that?' The black cat was thought to be a bit on the 'naughty' side for chasing the 'poor mice'.

The children’s activities were viewed with interest and laughter. He indicated that he would have liked the pink trifle. When asked whether he would have enjoyed scribbling on the portraiture - he indignantly replied 'No of course not' - however the glint in his eyes indicated that it had given him a few ideas.

**Beautifully illustrated, a great picture book with a gentle sense of humour.**

Leoni, age 9

**This story was fun.** It's about children who live in pictures on the walls and come out to play when everyone goes to bed and when they do they're a little bit naughty. They make a mess and paint on the walls and things and then go back in the pictures before everyone wakes up.

**I read this to my little sister who's only two and she liked it as well.** We played finding the twin sisters on every page coz they were hiding a little bit on some of them. They weren't really as naughty as the other children.