

### **Book Review – Matilda**

Matilda is a fun story which is suitable for children as a bedtime story. Matilda Wormwood is highly talented and hardworking. She has a lazy brother, a bossy mother and a ratty father. Her father is a car reseller, a not-too-honest one. He renews cars with cheap material, so his cars look new and nice. Matilda has a different character from her family members as she does not agree with her parents' unscrupulous behavior and she likes to punish his father with little tricks. When Matilda starts her school life, she shows her talent in calculation and reading. The Head teacher, Ms Trunchbull, does not like Matilda. She always talks to Matilda rudely. Miss Honey knows Matilda well and they help each other and become good companions. They live together in the end and the Wormwoods escape to Europe.

Each character in the story has a unique personality. Although their personality may be a little bit too extreme, they can contrast each other to make their uniqueness more vivid. Without Ms Trunchbull, Miss Honey's image of being a poor and lovely girl may not be so clear. I really like Miss Honey. She is the teacher that every student likes to get along with. I would like to be as smart as Matilda, but I do not want Mr Wormwood to be my father.

The plot is fun to read but it is not realistic. It is possible to have a kid with great talent, but not moving things with willpower. I don't think Matilda having superpower is a good idea, but I like the plot that Miss Honey is actually the niece of Ms Trunchbull. Such a relationship is a good twist.