



Where is Pim? by Lena Landström illustrated by Olof Landström

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Those toddlers who are already familiar with Pim and Pom will welcome this latest adventure, whilst newcomers to the series have a treat in store.

Pom, a non-gender-specific character, is playing with Pim when a dog appears and runs away with the toy. Pom is sad but then another, almost identical, dog arrives to help Pom search. Pom seesaws between hope and disappointment as the pair discover a number of objects that are not Pim, but the story concludes satisfactorily with Pim and Pom reunited whilst the two dogs set off to find another adventure.

This simple story features engaging characters in an everyday situation. This makes it ideal for toddlers who are just coming to terms with the big, wide world. The text is unsophisticated and kept to a minimum, which suits the age of the intended audience.

The illustrations are uncomplicated but skilfully portray a range of emotions, whilst the muted palette suits the gentleness of the story. The illustrations and the story provide plenty of opportunities for conversation and adults will appreciate the humour in the book.

This is a book with high production values. Although a paperback, the cover is sturdy, the pages are on good quality paper and the book is stitched rather than stapled. The title is also available in hardback for \$34.99.

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