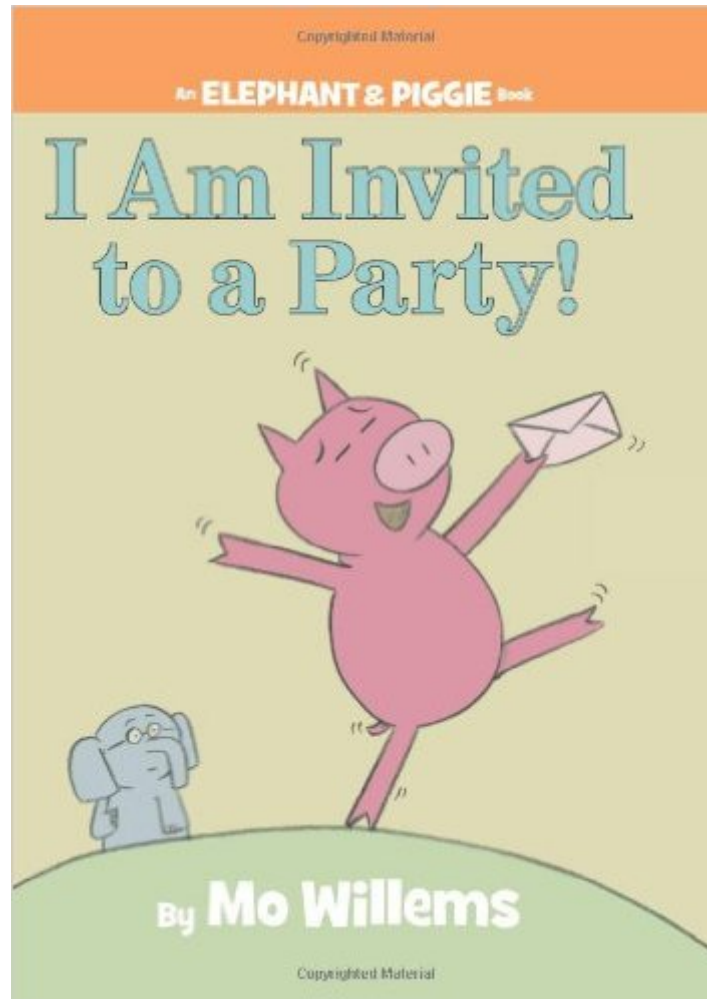


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# I Am Invited To A Party! (An Elephant And Piggie Book)



## Synopsis

Gerald is careful. Piggie is not. Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald worries so that Piggie does not have to. Gerald and Piggie are best friends. In *I Am Invited to a Party!* Piggie is invited to her first party. She doesn't know what to wear, though, so she asks her best friend Elephant for help. Elephant's advice is odd to say the least, so Piggie will try on all sorts of zany outfits before finally arriving at the party for a hilarious surprise.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

We \*LOVE\* Elephant & Piggie books in our family! So simple but convey so much emotion that kids of all ages can identify with. If you love to laugh, these books are for you. We've read every one of them, and not one is a disappointment! You just really can't go wrong with any one of these totally cute, funny books. The bonus? These books turned around a situation that was developing into a big negative and struggle. In kindergarten, my son picked up reading with ease. By the end he was freakishly excellent at reading and testing four grades ahead of his own. Enter next in line, sister. In kindergarten, she is a regular kid and reading comes to her at the usual speed. This would be fine if she hadn't already been reading with brother super-reader, setting her expectations unreasonably high for herself. My kids and I have been reading before bed every night since they were born, and since becoming old enough, the three of us together, every night. My daughter was keenly aware of

her brother's reading development as he had taken over the duties from me. As my daughter began to read, the requirement from school was for her to read at home. Her experience was quickly becoming a very negative one as she would struggle with every word, and her brother would become impatient and want to help, further frustrating her... and on it went every night. She was exhausted and frustrated by the end of 10min. I feared she would end up like me - never reading a book unless assigned in school, until her brother was born, because I read so slow and couldn't keep up with my own attn. span. I also recognized that the books for her reading level contained many words that were above her abilities, not real words (further confusing things) and frankly, above the reading level of the target audience.

My family was first introduced to the talented Mo Willems when we happened to pick up a copy of Knuffle Bunny at the library. We were hooked from that moment on and have been huge fans of the pigeon books ever since. My daughter usually tends toward Sponge Bob or Scooby Doo books, which I absolutely hate, and finding Willems has been a wonderful reprieve for me and my husband. Naturally, I was thrilled when I was able to coax my daughter toward Elephant and Piggie by enticing her with the revelation that they were by the same person who'd written the pigeon books, which she adores. The Elephant and Piggie series, in general, is more simplistic than the Pigeon books. This is a good thing because they are appropriate for very early readers and I know my daughter will be able to pick these up and read them on her own long before she'll be able to tackle the pigeon. However, this by no means is meant to imply that they are inferior. Like the pigeon, these books have very simple but cute and endearing drawings as well as funny and interesting stories. I Am Invited to a Party is a book with which my daughter can easily relate. Piggie is elated when she receives her invitation and celebrates in the style of most pre-schoolers. However, Gerald feels that he needs to educate her in party etiquette and this is where the story really takes off. Gerald poses several party-style scenarios to Piggie and helps her to dress appropriately for each one. My daughter has a lot of fun looking at Piggie's formal party outfit, her beach party outfit, etc. Though the drawings are basically simple, there are also fun details such as the dangling earrings that Piggie is wearing with her evening gown. We have a lot of fun pointing out these details and giggling over them.

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