

★ **Mrs. Nobody****Y. S. Lee****Marie Lafrance, Illustrator**

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A girl learns about setting boundaries with a close imaginary friend in this ethereal picture book. Mrs. Nobody always has the best ideas, from haphazard haircuts to drawing on walls. When Alice disagrees with what they should do next, Mrs. Nobody threatens to leave—forever. By recognizing her worth and sticking up for herself, Alice retains both her friend and her boundaries. Evocative illustrations—as with one in which Mrs. Nobody’s flowing blue dress transforms into a stormy sea—are a beautiful complement.

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