



★ **Sylvie and the Wolf**

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The stark contrast of winter woods lends a foreboding atmosphere to this fairytale-like story about fear and courage. Sylvie had always been fearless, until she caught a glimpse of a wolf in the woods. Sylvie is afraid that no one will believe her and is mocked when she does share; her fear slowly consumes her, depicted as a black, wolfish shape that grows and swirls around her. With help from her aunt, Sylvie faces the wolf and her fear—and finds them both transformed.

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