

The Schlemiel Kids Save the Moon

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In a lakeside shtetl filled with very silly souls, a family walking at night spots the moon upon the water. The parents worry for the heavenly body's safety, even as their children bemoan adult misunderstandings. Soon other villagers and the rabbi are involved. As each adult rescue mission fails, the children concoct a plan to convince Chelm's "wise" residents that the moon is okay after all. Smatterings of Yiddish, warm illustrations, and a diverse cast make this picture book a multicultural winner.

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