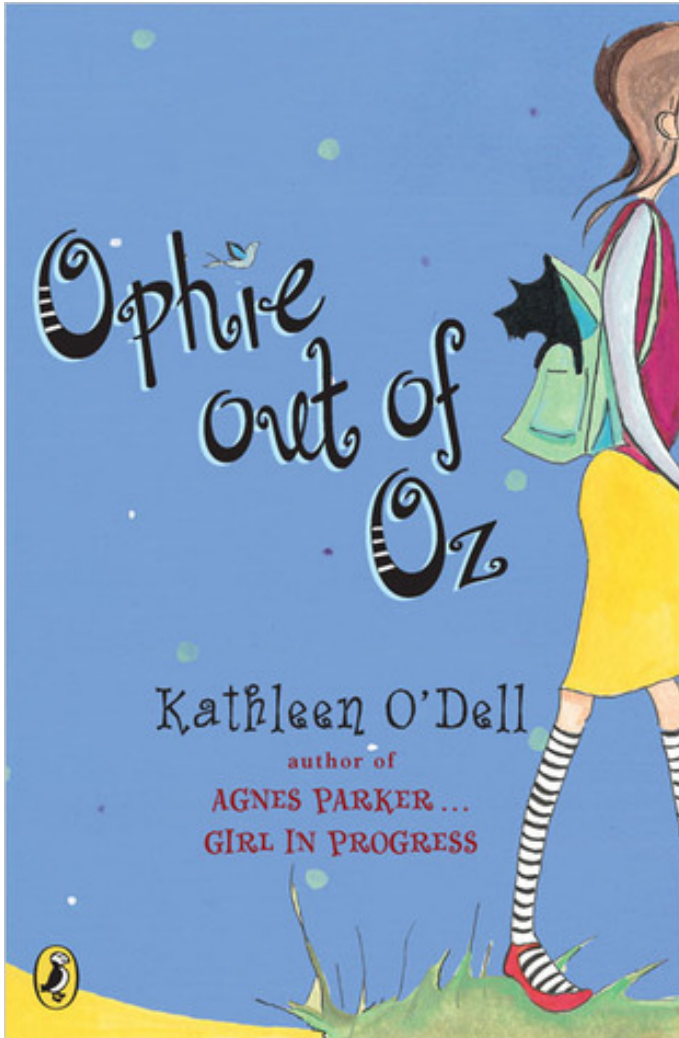

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Ophie Out of Oz



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Description

At her school in California, fourth-grader Ophie Peeler has it all: starring roles in all the school plays, plenty of attention and, of course, the best best friend a girl could ask for. Like Dorothy, Ophie is on the yellow brick road to a glamorous, adventure-filled life. But all of that changes when Ophie and her family move to Oregon, trading in the California sunshine for a dreary, rain-soaked life. The popular girls at school shun Ophie, Brittany Borg (the class oddball) follows her around, and to top it all off, Ophie outgrows her treasured ruby slippers. Will Ophie find a way to fit in, or has her one chance at happiness just sailed away over the rainbow?

Insightful reviews

Claire Hammack: I picked the audiobook up as something light to listen to while I fell asleep. I found myself up almost the whole night while listening to it.

It takes a little bit to get into the story, but after that period, it's a really cute story with a great message.

I'm not usually the type to read "the moral of the story is..." books, but I really liked this one. Ophie just moved to Oregon from California. California was the magical Oz. And to Ophie, Oregon is just... Blah. She has to make the adjustments from moving to a whole different state and a new school.

Ultimately, this book talks about how important friendship is and who your true friends are. It was presented in such a way where it didn't feel like I was getting smacked in the face with a life lesson. I enjoyed listening to it, and was definitely a good read.

Dana: I wasn't a huge fan of Ophie although she does redeem herself a lot at the end. The problem for me is that for most of this book she spends her time being kind of mean to the two girls who want to be her friends and idolizing the girls that are mean to her. She eventually learns a lesson about friendship but by then I just didn't like her character enough to care.

Sarah Sammis: I chose Ophie out of Oz by Kathleen O'Dell from the library for two reasons: the title and the cover. With that in mind, I went into reading it half expecting not to like it.

Oz in this case is California and Ophie sees herself as a Dorothy and loves to sing "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." Oregon, though, is nowhere as magical as California and Ophie will have to adapt or be miserable. Ophie out of Oz is a coming-of-age story written in a style similar to the Junie B. Jones books but for an older audience.

Ophie though takes most of the book to become a likeable character. She suffers from the same anger management issues as Andy in the Sea Shack or Venola in Catty-Cornered and any number of other 'tween protagonists but Ophie's growth as a character is nearly glacial; coming in at just slightly faster than Harry Potter in the 5th book.

Despite Ophie's problems as a lead character, I did still enjoy the book because of the supporting cast of characters. Brittany Borg who is set up as the school bully ends up being the most interesting and sympathetic character in the book. She and her sister made the book

worth reading.

Jess: Okay, yet not anything special.

Alexandra: I learn this booklet approximately four years in the past yet forgot to put up it...This publication is good and straightforward learn yet does not have a truly inventive plot line at all.

Amrin Zaeda: i didn't like this book.

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