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The story of Cinderella is one of the best known of all fairy tales. Telling as it does of the rise from rags to riches of a beautiful young girl, it offers hope to the lowly and proposes that beauty and purity will prevail over wickedness. Retellings of such stories often offer a contemporary spin on the original or else they are full of clichés, both verbal and visual. This presentation of Cinderella lies within the traditional boundaries, while employing many of the techniques of the modern picture book to good effect. The settings and costumes have an eighteenth-century air, but are conveyed with a lightness which renders them timeless, as is a true fairy story. The retelling is in straightforward language and will read aloud well.

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