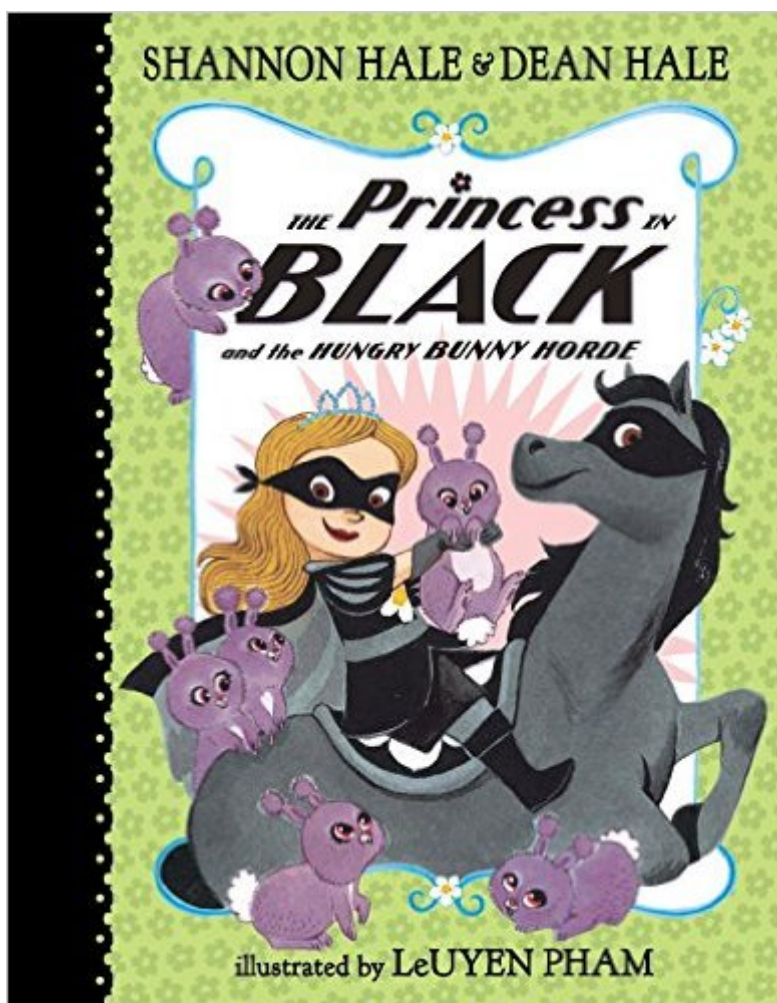


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The Princess In Black And The Hungry Bunny Horde



Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

The Hales have created another winning book with *The Princess in Black and the Hungry Bunny Horde*. Princess Magnolia presents a tough picture when she dresses up and tackles monsters as the Princess in Black. But she is as susceptible as anyone to cuteness, and the horde of bunnies she faces in this book are utterly adorable. It's funny to read about the goat boy's efforts to convince

her that the bunnies aren't as sweet as they are cute, as they devour everything in sight, including a goat horn and a complete tree. But interestingly it isn't the Princess in Black who saves the day, which adds a nice twist to the story. The bunnies scaring off the other monsters is pretty funny as well. Pham, as in the other Princess in Black stories, steals the show with her gorgeous illustrations. A surefire winner for young readers who enjoy princess stories or superhero stories or both. This continues to be one of my favorite series to read and share.

The Princess in Black's cutest adventure yet—no, really, the monsters are deceptively cute. While Princess Magnolia and unicorn Frimplepants are on their way to a much anticipated brunch with Princess Sneezewort, Magnolia's monster alarm goes off, forcing an emergency costume change on her and Frimplepants to become the Princess in Black and her faithful steed, Blacky. They rush to rescue goat boy Duff, hoping to save the day in time for doughnuts. However, when they arrive, instead of monsters they see a field full of adorable bunnies. Pham's illustrations give the bunnies wide-eyed innocence and little puffballs on the tips of their ears. Duff tries to explain that they're menaces from Monster Land that eat everything (all the grass, a tree, a goat's horn—), but the Princess has trouble imagining that monsters might come in such a cute package. By the time she does, there are too many to fight! Humor comes from the juxtaposed danger and adorableness. Just when the bunnies decide to eat the Princess, Blacky—who, as Frimplepants, is fluent in Cuteness—communicates that she's not food and persuades the bunnies to return to Monster Land. While Princess Magnolia and Frimplepants are too late for brunch, Princess Sneezewort gets the consolation prize of lunch with the Princess in Black and Blacky. While not exactly novel, it's well-executed and very funny.

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This got delivered last night and my daughter took it to school this morning. When I picked her up

this afternoon she was finished with the book. This is a great series. My daughter had waited since before Christmas for this installment to be released. When does the next one come out Shannon!

My 5 year old granddaughter loves the Princess in Black stories. They are set in a short chapter book approach that she loves to have read to her at bedtime by mom and dad. She is into princesses and super heroes right now so these stories are the perfect mix. The illustrations are wonderful and the stories are written in a way that makes her look forward to bedtime!

The idea of the monster bunnies was great, but somehow it didn't come together as well as the previous two in the series. Maybe it was the fact that it wasn't the princess herself that resolved the monster problem? I keep having to read my daughter the original two, but she hasn't asked for this one after the first read. I'll still buy any new ones in the series.

We love Shannon Hale at our house, and this series is no exception. The charm, wit, and drawings are all wonderful. However, of the three Princess in Black books, this is our least favorite. Maybe it is because I bought them to read to my 3 year old, but I think it is a bit more unsettling to young readers than the other books in the series. SPOILER ALERT: In the past books, the monsters never actually ate anything, so I was telling my daughter, who is at that age to be afraid of monsters at night, that "Monsters don't eat people. They only eat goats," and she would happily go to sleep. In this book, however, the bunnies not only eat everything in sight, including the Princess in Black's shoe, but they also threaten to eat both her and Duff because they do not speak the language of cuteness. Not the best thing to have happen at our house. My daughter started to worry about monsters at night again, and we had to convince her that she spoke the language of cuteness so as to be safe. It was a much harder sell since she likes to think of herself as the Princess in Black. For now, this particular book has been put on the shelf. Still, I think it is worth having if you enjoy the series. I'm sure my daughter will like it better once she is old enough to read it herself and no longer afraid of monsters at night.

My 5 1/2 yr old daughter has the whole set of these books. They are so much fun to read, even for me! Cute story line and illustrations. Well-written and entertaining - can't wait for more books in the series!

This series is exceptional!! My daughter is obsessed with the Princess in Black. She loves the

combination of princess and super hero story line. If you haven't read this to your little girl, please pick it up today!

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