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## Me Want Pet! Details

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### **Tara says**

Me read book. Me like book. Cave boy sad. He want pet. He find pet. Family no like pet. Me sad, too. But me no stay sad long!

Bold color. Bob Shea draw good. Fun to read. Fun to look. OOGA!

Disclaimer: I am not a cave woman but I play one on the interwebs.

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### **Laura says**

That's right, Cave Boy wants a pet. He brings home a wooly mammoth, a saber-toothed tiger, and a baby dodo bird. His family rejects these pets for the same reasons that parents reject pets today -- they're too big, cause allergies, and aren't house (cave?) trained. Cave Boy and his new friends, however, manage to save the day and Cave Boy ends up with not one but three pets.

Recommended for kindergarten and first grade. A really solid addition to elementary school collections and a lovely complement to other pet picture book titles.

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### **Jill says**

I like this story and the illustrations, but I have a really hard time with the "cave talk." Drives me a little crazy.

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### **Akoss says**

I've done it. I've managed to come across a picture book I didn't care much for. For some reason I never considered it a possibility.

The story is very simple (too simple in fact). I've read baby books that were more intricate and I felt lost as to what was the goal behind the picture book's premise. But I've been in similar situations before. The straw that broke the back of this camel was the English. I can't understand why making the cave boy and his family speak bad English was considered to be a good idea. It also rubbed me the wrong way so I'm not even going to bother introducing the book to my kid. If she comes across it again on her own one day at the library and decides to read it, then so be it.

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### **Sheri says**

Cute story where Cave Boy talks like characters on Sesame Street and other caveboys. Cave boy wants a pet

and each time he brings one home he has to give them up. Until there is a terrible event and cave boy calls on his friends to help. See what each animal does and if Cave boy gets to keep a pet by the end.

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### **SheriC (PM) says**

Cute story about a caveboy who desperately wants a pet, but every one that he brings home just isn't suitable for one reason or another.

I liked the colors and illustrations, and I can see how the story could spark discussion/learning opportunities about pet ownership. I can even see how kids would have fun with the "cave language" but I actually found it a little obnoxious. I know it would drive me crazy by the second or third reading.

I'll probably knock this one off my purchase list for my neice's kids' library, but will definitely look at the others that are written and illustrated by Tammy Sauer and Bob Shea.

Hardcover picture book, borrowed from my public library.

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### **Christy says**

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### **Angela says**

Tammi, I really enjoyed *MOSTLY MONSTERLY* when it was released not that long ago, so I had pretty elevated expectations for this one. I didn't love this story as much--probably because of the sheer number of "I want a pet" stories that are published each year, but it is a fun addition to the genre.

Bob, you've really outdone yourself on this one. The textures are super cool. There seems to more depth, your heavy black lines are heavier and the palate is rich and bold, yet a complete departure from the *DINOSAUR VS.* stories. Cave boy's hair is widely wonderful. I can't decide if I like cave boy's hair or the trees made of horizontal lines crossed by a single vertical one the best.

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**Shelli says**

Super fun read aloud to share, where variety in voices is a must. Talking like a cave person is nearly as fun as talking like a pirate. Not to mention, kids LOVE to talk about what kind of pets they have or wish they had. Great way to start conversations with even the most reluctant talkers.

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**Bookworm's Nemesis says**

3.5 stars

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