

A book review of **George's Marvellous Medicine**



Warning to readers: Do not try to make George's medicine at home. It could be **dangerous**.

Author: Roald Dahl **Illustrator:** Quentin Blake **Genre:** Fantasy

Do you like books that make you laugh out loud? Do you enjoy hold-your-breath moments as you wait to see what happens next? If you have answered yes to both of these questions, then George's Marvellous Medicine is a book I recommend for you.

Plot

George decides that his grizzly, old grunion of a grandma needs teaching a lesson, so he decides the best remedy is a special, home-made, magic medicine. While mum and dad are out shopping, George gets to work collecting ingredients (deodorant, shampoo, floor polish and many more).

Along with a dollop of brown paint to mimic Grandma's original medicine, George is ready to administer the first dose, but will Grandma get more than she bargained for?

Characters

George Kranky: An eight-year-old boy who wonders if his grandma is a witch.

Grandma: Bossy, enjoys telling her grandson that she likes to eat insects (no wonder he thinks she might be a witch!) and is prone to growing and shrinking!

Mr & Mrs Kranky: George's parents. Mr Kranky wants to make lots of George's marvellous medicine to sell to farms around the world. I wonder why?

The best bits:

↙ apostrophe for contraction

It's so funny when Grandma grows as tall as the house and bursts through the roof.

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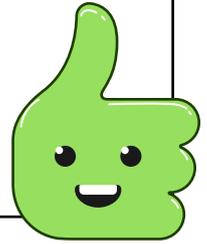
I couldn't stop myself laughing and had to dry my eyes before reading any more!

↙ subordinating conjunction

↙ subordinate clause

↙ homophone

When a chicken grows ten times its original size, that's pretty hilarious **too**.



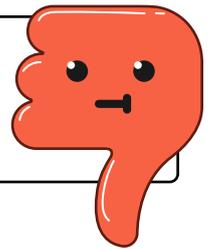
↖ heading to aid presentation

The worst bits:

↖ Y3/4 spelling

I really don't **remember** there being any bad bits. This book really is a great read.

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personal recommendation

Other books you might like by the same author:

- The BFG with Sophie and the giant himself
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

