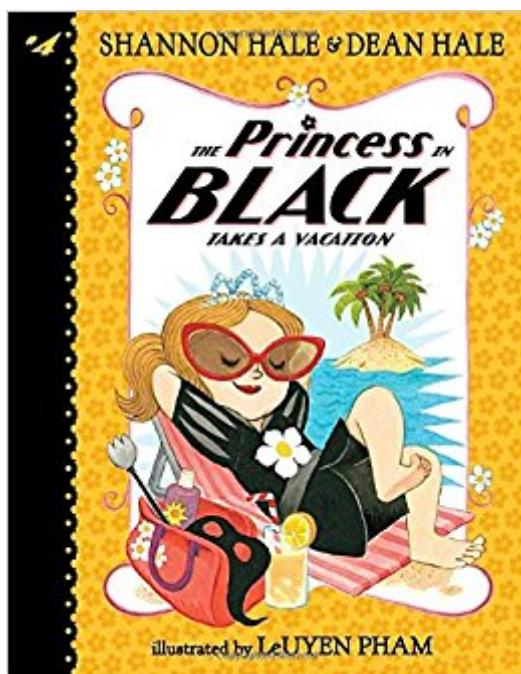


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# The Princess In Black Takes A Vacation



## Synopsis

Even monster-battling princesses get tired sometimes! But a peaceful time away is hard to find as the humorous New York Times best-selling series continues. After battling monsters all night, a sleepy Princess in Black decides that she needs a vacation. After all, the Goat Avenger, a new hero who looks oddly familiar, has offered to protect the goats while she takes a much needed break. The very next day Princess Magnolia rides her bicycle to the seaside, where the air is salty, the sun is shiny, and the sea is as blue as monster fur. But just as Princess Magnolia is about to take a nap on her hammock, she hears a "ROAR!" Seriously? A monster? On the perfect beach? Impossible! Could a sea monster really ruin this vacation for the Princess in Black?

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

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## Customer Reviews

The dual storylines keep the pace exciting, and even though the heroine is sleepy—the art is energetic and charming. Princess Magnolia has fair skin, Duff's is a little bit darker, and the beachgoers are pleasingly diverse. As always, hilarious; perhaps the strongest Princess in Black outing since the first. —Kirkus Reviews Pham's expressive artwork appears on almost every page, effectively breaking up the text for emerging readers, as well as

helping them to visualize the story details. Particularly amusing are the paired illustrations that compare the Goat Avenger and Duff. Recommend the PIB series to Kate DiCamillo’s Mercy Watson graduates looking for a new fix. [Booklist Online](#)

Shannon Hale and Dean Hale are the award-winning husband-and-wife team behind the Princess in Black series, illustrated by LeUyen Pham. Shannon Hale is also the author of the Newbery Honor novel Princess Academy as well as the New York Times best-selling series Ever After High. Shannon Hale and Dean Hale live in Salt Lake City, Utah. LeUyen Pham is the illustrator of many books for children, including God’s Dream by Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Douglas Carlton Abrams and Aunt Mary’s Rose by Douglas Wood. LeUyen Pham lives in California.

I am delighted to highlight this new book in one of my very favorite series. Shannon Hale and Dean Hale, along with LeUyen Pham have created a truly winning series. In this volume, the Princess in Black has discovered that one of the downsides to having a double identity is very little sleep. Frankly, she’s exhausted, and when the Goat Avenger suggests she take a vacation while he watches out for monsters, she’s more than happy to agree. Unfortunately, once she’s at the beach, things take a turn for the worse when a sea monster shows up to create chaos. Can the Princess in Black save the day again or will she stay in hiding with her friend Princess Sneezewort? Once again, the Hales and Pham have created the perfect book. A delightful text with great read a loud potential (lots of sound effects built right in) and the gorgeous illustrations that highlight poor Princess Marigold’s utter exhaustion. I felt tired just looking at her. I especially love the fact that Princess Marigold is a pink-loving sweetheart and a black-wearing monster fighter at the same time. So often society tells kids they need to fit into one neat box or another, with no cross-over between them. But in reality no one fits into a nice, neat little box, and these books demonstrate that to perfection. I’m sorry I’m gushing, but I really do love this series. If you haven’t tried it yet I highly recommend that you do.

My daughter loves this series. I like the fact that Princess Magnolia is not your average princess, but a superhero in disguise. The illustrations are engaging and it’s fun reading. Shannon Hale keeps putting out quality books for kids, and this one is no exception. Even my son likes this series. I’m wondering though....does she ever get off the island?

My 4yo is obsessed with these books, and for good reason. They're fun, clever, adventure-filled, and they show that girls can love frilly things and still beat up monsters.

My 6 yr old really enjoys this series - it is fun and easy for her to read. The story has a nice blend of girly and tough for little girls that like their princesses to be heros too.

This is a great series and it is easy to read for the average 7 year old. My daughter loves these stories and they aren't all princess-y and annoying like Disney stories are.

We have read every one of these and pre-order just so we wont miss one! All three of my children kindergarten, 1st and 2nd can read these. Kindergarten with some assistance!

My 6 year old loves The Princess in Black series and was so excited when this one came in the mail. Great cheaper book for the beginner reader.

My 6 year old daughter is in love with these books! So glad that there is something for her to enjoy reading!

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