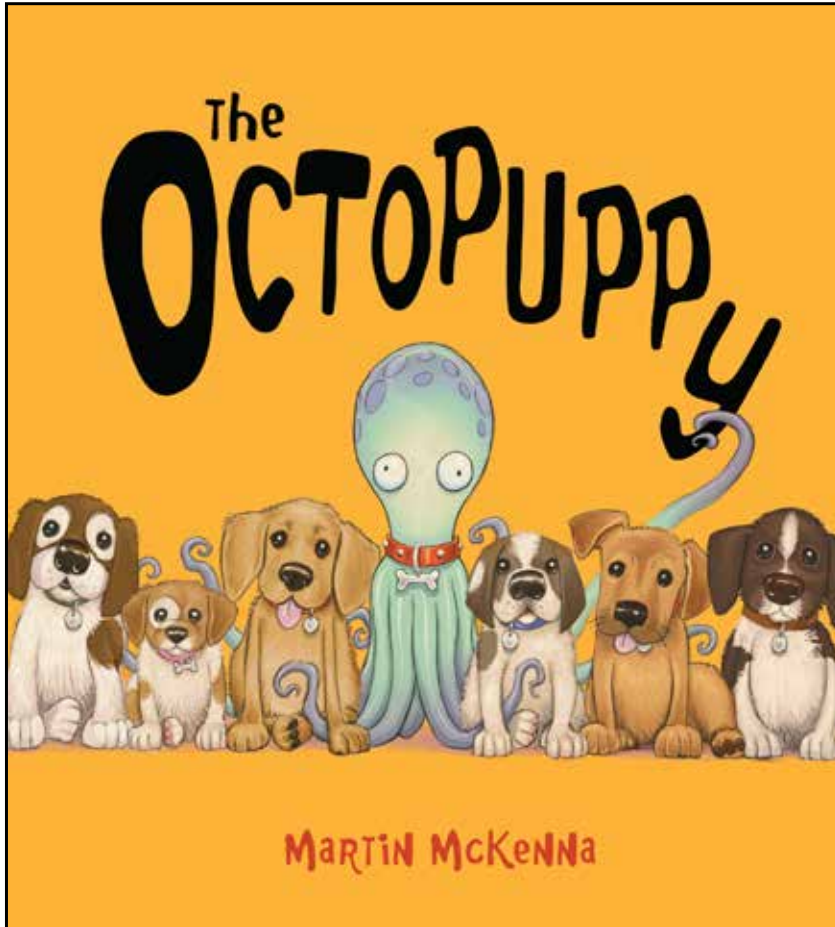


Book Talk

Books We Love This Month



978-0-545-75140-7 HC

Perfect for young picture book readers who want something a little bit different.

The Octopuppy

By Martin McKenna

Edgar wanted a dog. Instead, he got an octopus named Jarvis.

Jarvis is brilliant and does his best to act like the dog Edgar wants, but nothing he does is good enough to please Edgar. Ultimately, Edgar recognizes that while Jarvis might not be the dog he wanted, he is special in his own endearing way.

Young readers will love the funny, imaginative illustrations that are paired with a relatable lesson of appreciating the greatness of what we have in front of us.

Ages 3 to 5

“I love this book because it is a celebration of eccentricity and living with joie de vie, as well as a touching story of unlikely friendships. Edward Gorey fans might notice that in one of the middle spreads Edward is a dead ringer for N is for Neville who died of ennui from *Gashlycrumb Tinies*, looking particularly sad when his octopuppy goes missing.” — Janet