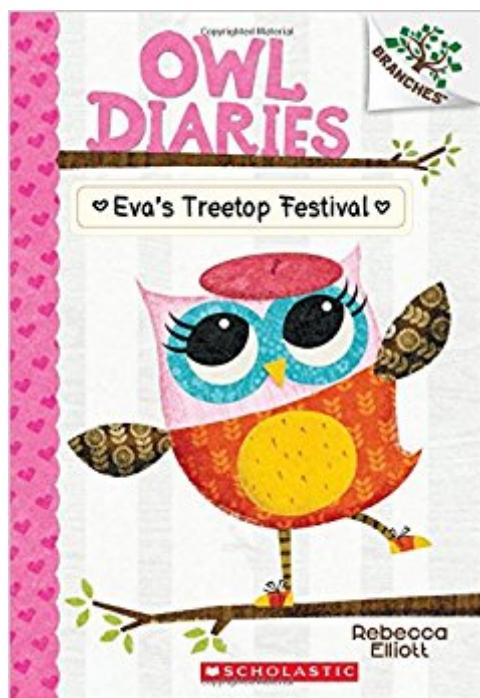


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# Eva's Treetop Festival: A Branches Book (Owl Diaries #1)



## Synopsis

This adorable early chapter book series is perfect for young girls who love friendship stories starring animal characters! This series is part of Scholastic's early chapter book line called Branches, which is aimed at newly independent readers. With easy-to-read text, high-interest content, fast-paced plots, and illustrations on every page, these books will boost reading confidence and stamina. Branches books help readers grow! Eva Wingdale gets in over her head when she offers to organize a spring festival at school. Even with her best friend Lucy's help, there is NO way she will get everything done in time. Will Eva have to ask Sue (a.k.a. Meanie McMeanerson) for help? Or will the festival have to be cancelled? This book is written as Eva's diary -- with Rebecca Elliott's owl-dorable full-color illustrations throughout!

## Book Information

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Series: Owl Diaries (Book 1)

Paperback: 80 pages

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Product Dimensions: 0.5 x 5.5 x 7.8 inches

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Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars 171 customer reviews

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Age Range: 5 - 7 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 2

## Customer Reviews

Gr 1-3 "Eva Wingdale enjoys drawing, going to school, and being busy. She dislikes her brother Humphrey's stinky socks, boredom, and her mom's slug sandwiches. On the first day of spring, the owlet offers to organize the first ever Treetop Owlementary Bloomtastic Festival, featuring a bake-off and talent, fashion, and art shows. With the event only seven days away, Eva's not sure

she can get everything done in time. Instead of canceling, though, she enlists help from her classmates and manages to pull off a successful festival. Written in diary format with speech bubbles, the 10 chapters have lively, brightly colored illustrations, often several per page. This early chapter book is a nice step between first readers and series such as Barbara Parks's "Junie B. Jones" and Mary Pope Osborne's "Magic Tree House" (both Random).<sup>6</sup> "Sarah Polace, Cuyahoga Public Library System, OH --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

USA Today bestselling series!Praise for Eva's Treetop Festival (Owl Diaries #1): "Bright and colorful digital illustrations, large type, frequent speech bubbles and a familiar story make this accessible to emerging readers . . . This series promises to fill a niche for [new readers]. Keep flapping, Eva!" -- Kirkus Reviews "Appealing visuals (the text and art are set against the lined pages of Eva's diary), punny dialogue, a few pratfalls, and Eva's unflagging enthusiasm make for lively reading." -- Publishers Weekly "This early chapter book is a nice step between first readers and series such as Barbara Parks's <sup>7</sup>Junie B. Jones<sup>8</sup> and Mary Pope Osborne<sup>9</sup>'s <sup>10</sup>Magic Tree House.<sup>11</sup>" -- School Library Journal "The colorful, adorable illustrations will be irresistible to young readers. The simple text interspersed with speech bubble dialogue will engage beginning and intermediate readers alike. This appealing chapter book will be a nice addition to a library's young reader section." -- Library Media Connection

This "Branches" series is wonderful for beginning readers. Adorable illustrations break the short chapters into manageable chunks for new readers. The story lines are fun and exciting, keeping readers engaged. I especially like that these books help to teach a lesson. In this cute story, Eva the owl decides to "lead" her class in throwing a festival to celebrate the coming spring. The problem is, Eva thinks that leading means doing everything herself. She ignores offers from her entire class to help with props and prizes. Of course she quickly becomes overwhelmed. Eva finds herself in the position of having to ask her nemesis for help. Eva is afraid the other young owl will be mean to her. But, Eva's best friend points out that she can't control how another owl reacts; all she can do is ask for what she needs. A wonderful lesson! In the end, Eva also learns the value of teamwork just in time for her and her classmates to put on an awesome festival!

My 7 year old daughter is quickly becoming obsessed with chapter books. We actually found the first one at a thrift store and she read it in about 2 days. So of course we were on the hunt for the other ones. These books are really cute and easy for readers (of course, it depends on your child).

They are fun to listen to as well. I would recommend these 'Owl Diaries' books for anyone ages 6-8.

These are great for children beginning to read chapter books! My second grader absolutely loves this series. Very cute story line and great graphics. My 7 year old finished the book in about an hour because she loved it so much she wanted to keep reading.

My little "reluctant reader" loves this entire series. As with most Branches books, the text does not make her feel overwhelmed and the full color pictures keep her interested engaged from page to page.

Such a fun chapter book. Interesting, conversational, and a fun read. My six year old loved reading about Eva's adventure. We are sure to buy more of these!

Good for beginning chapter book. Vibrant pictures and speech captions are perfect for first & 2nd graders (or advanced kindergarteners).

So cute so bright so sweet! Love these little books. My daughters love to read these over and over:}

My daughter is in 1st grade but is an advanced reader of 2nd and 3rd grade level. The problem I find is that she needs chapter books for her reading skills but still wants pictures because she is only 6 years old. She loves these books because they fit both bills for her. Cute pictures with more advanced reading.

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