

Amy's Dreaming Adventures: The Enchanted Forest

By Chrissy Metge

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About the Book

Amy is a little girl who loves adventures. Every night her dreams take her to a magical place filled with mystical creatures and beautiful scenery.

Is it real, just a dream, Amy knows, do you?

This is a gorgeous hardback book filled with exquisite illustrations along with a beautiful rhyme that will have you caught up in Amy's adventure!

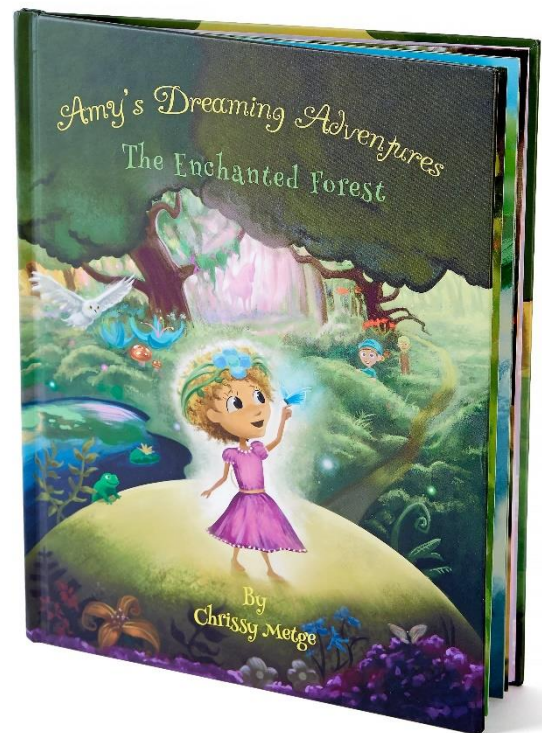
About the Author

Chrissy Metge is author of the *Amy's Dreaming Adventures* books and the *Max and His Big Imagination* books. Chrissy also works in the animation film and TV industry and has just completed her 14th movie, a feature film for Disney.

Amy's Dreaming Adventures is inspired by the work Chrissy does in the movie and TV industry, and her love of storytelling for children. As a new mother, one of her most favourite things is getting to see all the little things in life, all over again. Chrissy currently lives in London.

Illustrations

The illustrations are by Dmitry Chizhow, who lives in Russia. The illustrations are richly colourful and dreamy, allowing children to immerse themselves in this beautiful dreamworld while reading the book.



Writing Style

The story is written in third-person point of view prose in a 28-page picture book. Amy goes to bed with Snowy her owl, and in her dreams, they fly from her bed into an enchanted forest. In this adventure they meet fairies, a family of frogs, trolls, an old turtle, colourful parrots, elves, and finally, to Amy's delight, a real unicorn!

The language used in Amy's Dreaming Adventures is dreamy and descriptive, and the book is written in rhyme.

*Amy loves fantasy, fairies and more,
But only in dreams can Amy explore.
So into her bed Amy jumps every night,
With Snowy her owl who helps her take flight.*

The book is suitable for children 3 to 7 years, but older and younger children may also enjoy the story.

Shared Learning and Discussion Points

ASK YOUR STUDENTS:

- Look at the cover. What do you think the tone of the story might be?
- How has the author set the scene at the start of the story?
- The first creatures Amy meets are some fairies. What do you know about fairies? Would you like to meet some fairies in dream?
- Amy also meets a family of frogs. What do you know about real-life frogs?
- Did you expect the trolls to smile? If not, why not?
- What do you know about real-life turtles?
- Amy meets some colourful parrots. Can you name a few real-life parrots?
- Did you enjoy Amy meeting the elves? What did you think of them?
- What did you think of the unicorn in the book?
- Which was your favourite creature, and why?

Activities



ACTIVITY 1: CREATURE IMAGINATION

There are many different creatures in this book. Pick your favourite and draw your own version of it. Create your own story using this character.

ACTIVITY 2: FOREST IMAGINATION

Draw your own enchanted forest, including trees and some water, and add as many creatures as you would like. Imagine the creatures are having a conversation, what would they say to each other?