

Blogging Samples

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Impact	<p data-bbox="456 464 1417 520"><u>Surprised!</u></p> <p data-bbox="456 527 1393 642">October is the month for surprises I think! <u>Last year I was in Malawi</u> at Lirangwe <u>(video)</u> visiting the kitchen we are all supporting with Mary's Meals. This year I was in London helping Mary's Meals when this happened...</p>  <p data-bbox="456 1157 1417 1360">You can read all about it in the <u>Mirror newspaper</u>. Jamie is brilliant and I am so glad it was him that surprised me. It was all filmed as well so you will see how surprised I was. ITV came to film at Mary's Meals and at my house but I thought it was for a documentary and I didn't know anything about the Pride of Britain awards.</p> <p data-bbox="456 1419 1417 1755">I have been quietly busy helping Mary's Meals and school dinners all year. There's lots going on. Mary's Meals is feeding more and more children a free school meal every day. I can't wait until we can say we're helping 1 million children a day! In England children will get a free school meal starting next September for their first three years at school. What a difference that will make. I am waiting to hear what will happen in Scotland. I hope it will be just as good and maybe better than England. There is so much you can do in a school with a great school dinner.</p> <p data-bbox="456 1814 1386 1843">I am looking forward to London at the weekend. I think it will be good for Mary's</p>

Meals and school dinners. My whole family is coming. I know my family are proud of me but it is amazing that Jamie and the Pride of Britain Awards are as well and that has made me smile. I will tell people about everyone that has supported me and about the children we have helped. If you watch the programme on Tuesday, ITV 8pm, you will see me say thank you and I mean it for everyone that has helped raise so much for Mary's Meals.

Thank you,

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Being There Experience

An excerpt



Dad, Mom, and I went outside before the boat left. The water looked so cool because there were frozen circles on top all over.



We saw the life boats and life jackets. Just in case.



Behind the boat there were great big oil tankers. On the same day, March 24th, in 1989 the Exxon Valdez ran into a reef in Prince William Sound. It spilled tons of oil into the same water we were in now.



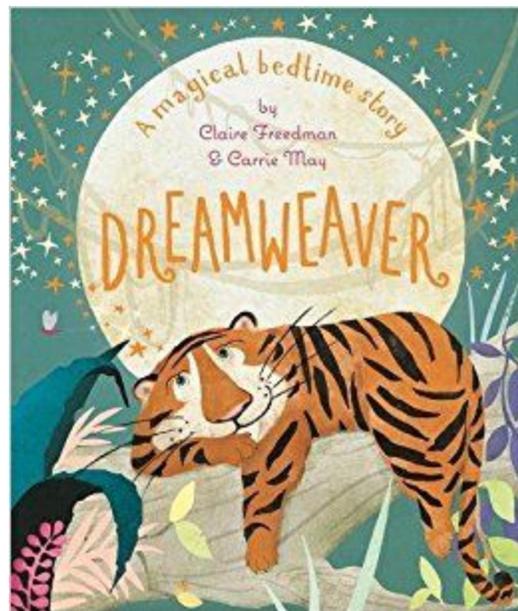
We could watch where we were on these big screens.

Book Review

Dream a little dream...

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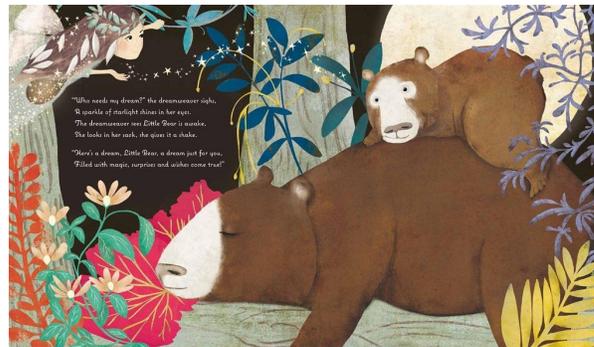
Today's review is of *Dreamweaver*, by Claire Freedman and Carrie May, published by Templar.



I shouldn't have sat down to read Claire Freedman's newest picture book on a damp, dark August day. I was already sleepy, craving the warmth of my duvet (I repeat, IN

AUGUST!), and by the end, and with the help of Carrie May's beautiful drawings, I was ready for bed.

Claire Freedman is better known for her *Alien Love Underpants* series, but this title marks a new direction for the bestselling author. Instead of zany humour, this picture book looks at the dreamy Dreamweaver, who travels the earth and the skies, searching for wonderful dreams to add to her sack and give to little ones who are struggling to get settled. She's a fairy-like version of the Big Friendly Giant, without the threat of any nasties!



The book is written in verse which is lullaby-like in nature, and Freedman's heavy use of the 's' sound in her words helps to create a sleepy, relaxing feel. Carrie May's illustrations are as comforting as the words, creating gentle worlds of magic. Children will love the different settings the Dreamweaver visits to gather her dreams and the colours that bring them to life.

A lovely, comforting bedtime read that will be popular with little ones who are partial to a gentle lullaby at bedtime.

Please note that while I was sent a copy for review, the views expressed here are entirely my own

