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# SPARK THE STONE MAN

First Book of the First Series, Original Edition

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## REVIEW

This book is full of magic and fantasy, and at the same time free of all the hallmarks of a traditional fairy-tale. I am not even certain that it's a book for children. Yet it mesmerizes like a dream with unpredictable landscapes, emerging with every step of its plot. With every move of my hand turning the page, new colorful patterns open up, like in a kaleidoscope. In its phantasmagorical scale it's perhaps in the same league as the fantasies by E.T.A. Hoffman. I am convinced that every reader of "Spark" will be impatiently waiting, as I am, for the arrival of every new book of the series.

*Andrey Usachev, Moscow.*

Spark the Stone Man introduces readers to enchanting Lemon Drop Valley, an innovative new world inhabited by Yushkas, Pyzhiks, and Klots. The author's descriptions evoke strong visual images of the charming characters, like the Wizard Lestro with his twenty thousand pairs of miraculous boots! The illustrations and text are magical with a delightful old world ambiance. Humorous characters and a unique setting make this series stand out in a publishing world of cookie cutter fantasies.

*Nancy K. Wallace, Youth Services Librarian and Book Reviewer, USA.*



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