

# A Noodle Up Your Nose

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#### **About the Book**

Kate can't wait for her birthday party, but her parents want her to invite everyone, even bossy Violet. Will Violet ruin her plans? Will Kate's best friend Jake stick by her?

#### **About the Author**

Frieda Wishinsky is the author of over forty trade and educational books. Her books have earned critical acclaim in magazines and newspapers around the world and have been translated into many languages, including French, Dutch, Danish, Spanish, Korean and Catalan. *Each One Special* was nominated for a 1999 Governor General's Award for text, and *Jennifer Jones Won't Leave Me Alone* won the 2004/5 UK Stockport, Portsmouth and Sheffield Children's Picture Book Awards. *Please, Louise!* (Groundwood Books) is nominated for the 2008 TD Literature Award and is the winner of the 2008 Marilyn Baille Picture Book Award.

#### About the Writing

Frieda remembers how vicious rumors were when she was a kid. She also recalls how much someone throwing a party hopes that people show up. She put those two truelife experiences together and *A Noodle Up Your Nose* was born.

# Teaching Ideas—Curriculum Connections

## Prereading Ideas

- Do you think you should invite everyone in your class to your birthday party? How do you decide who to invite so no one feels left out?
- Rumors can be mean and hurtful. How can you stop a rumor once it starts?

## Classroom Discussion Questions

- 1. If someone says something hurtful to you in public, what can you do about it?
- 2. Why is it important it be on time for school and appointments?
- 3. What do you consider when you're buying a friend a birthday gift?

# Suggested Activities

- Ask one student to be Kate and another Violet and have them act out the scene where Violet shows up alone for Kate's party.
- Think of what you'd like to do for your birthday party. Come up with a theme and build your plans around that theme. Share your birthday ideas with the class.
- Write up and decorate an original and colorful invitation to a birthday party.

#### Other Titles and Websites of Interest

A Bee in Your Ear by Frieda Wishinsky (Orca Echoes)
A Frog in My Throat by Frieda Wishinsky (Orca Echoes)
Dimples Delight by Frieda Wishinsky (Orca Echoes)
Beware, Pirates! by Frieda Wishinsky (Maple Tree Press)
www.talklikeapirate.com/piratehome.html

# Other Books by the Author from Orca Book Publishers

A Bee in Your Ear
Dimples Delight
Each One Special
A Frog in My Throat
Just Call Me Joe

#### **Awards**

Shining Willow nominee Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice selection Canadian Toy Council Great Book