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For Zara s dog, Moose, nothing is more important than being with her favorite girl. So when Zara has to go to school, *WHOOSH*, Moose escapes and rushes to her side.

Hello, Moose!

Unfortunately, dogs aren t allowed at school and Moose has to go back home.

Goodbye, Moose.

But Moose can t be held back for long. Through a series of escalating escapes, this loyal dog always finds her way back to Zara, and with a little bit of training and one great idea, the two friends find a way to be together all day long.

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Chance Lee says

One of my pet peeves is people who don't respect other's boundaries when it comes to their animals and use the fact that they're "therapy" animals as an excuse to take them everywhere.

Disabled Children In Picture Books says

Main character uses a wheelchair. Over the course of the book Moose (the dog) goes through training to be a service dog, to help with reading.

Jasmine Na says

This book is about a girl, Zara who is in a wheelchair and her dog Moose. The book does not explain why Zara is in a wheelchair but there does not need to be an explanation because of the illustration. Moose is attached to Zara and wants to be with her every and anywhere she goes. Moose runs out of the house and to Zara's school and follows her to class, lunch, and library. Wherever Zara was, Moose always did the same action and applied the brakes on her wheelchair. Later on, Moose goes to therapy school and becomes a guide dog so he can be by Zara's side all the time.

This story is heartwarming. It has the perspective of the girl but also the dog. Although it does not clearly state why Zara is in a wheelchair, just through illustrations there is no need for words. I think that this story is an easy read for 1st graders, As a book, I love how to me, it does not have any biases.

Stacie Boren says

I received this picture book from @kidlitexchange to read in exchange for an honest review. All opinions are my own. Hello Goodbye Dog by Maria Gianferrari ???As a former special needs pediatric nurse this one hit a soft spot for me. I am passionate about the use of animals for therapy, especially for children. The unconditional love a therapy animal gives a child will help the child overcome many obstacles. In this book Moose, the dog, returns to Zara again and again during the school day providing her comfort. Only dogs are allowed in school. After attending special classes Moose is allowed to attend school with Zara. This makes the day easier for them both. I wish the book had explained more about why it was so important to Moose to be with Zara, but I guess the authors note explains it well. A definite read for PreK to 2nd grade. Review also posted on Instagram @jasonnstacie, Library Thing, and my blog <https://readsbystacie.com>.

Jana says

This sweet picture book tells the story of Moose, a strong-willed dog that loves "hello" and hates "good-

bye"! Moose follows Zara to school and refuses to leave. After being pried loose by several adults and taken home, Moose gets loose and comes back to school. Moose loves to hear stories being read, so finally Moose's family comes up with a great solution for everyone. This book introduces young readers to the concept of therapy dogs in school settings. It also includes a note about how to find out more about therapy dog reading programs.

Kendra says

"Hello, Moose!"

This was delightful. I love the art and the message and the words and most of all I love Moose, and reading, and people understanding, and Zara. Helpful dogs being helpful!

Linda Atkinson says

Let's hear it for tx dogs <3

Little Crooked Cottage says

What it's all about...

Zara, a little girl in a wheelchair, has a special bond with her lovable dog Moose. Moose loves saying hello to Zara, but isn't so fond of goodbye. So when it's time for Zara to go off to school, Moose figures out a way to pay her a visit.

Why I love it...

Even if I didn't know Maria Gianferrari is a passionate dog-lover (I do), it's abundantly clear from the warmth and humor of her story. As I read, I found myself thinking: Yup, that's exactly what a dog would say if he could talk. Patricia Barton's equally expressive illustrations provide a perfect complement to the charming text.

My favorite line(s)...

"Goodbye was a tag without an 'It.'

Goodbye was a tug and no war.

Goodbye was a hide without seek.

Goodbye was being alone.

AAAA-WOOO, yowled Moose."

What's the kid-appeal?

Kids with dogs (or those who desperately want one, like mine) are sure to love this story of a devoted furry friend.

What's the grownup appeal?

Parents and educators will no doubt welcome the addition of this heartwarming story, featuring a diverse main character and a lovable (yet imperfect) pet, to their libraries. An author's note at the end includes

information on therapy dogs and their uses in classrooms and libraries—providing a wonderful discussion prompt for ability differences, and how dogs (to quote the author) can have "pawsitive" effects in a variety of environments.

—Reviewed by cottager/blogger Anika Denise

Shan Salter says

Thanks to the @kidlitexchange network for the review copy of this book - all opinions are my own.

From Maria Gianferrari, author of *Coyote Moon*, comes this delightful tale of a wheel-chair-bound girl and her doting dog. A must-read for animal lovers!

Zara is a sweet girl, so sweet that her dog, Moose, wants to be by her side all the time, including while she is at school. Moose is all about the warm hugs and love that accompany "hello," "goodbyes" on the other hand, are a struggle. We follow Moose through these "hello" highs and "goodbye" lows. Finally, reaching an ending that is...all smiles!

An author's note about therapy dogs is an informative inclusion.

With beautiful illustrations, by Patrice Barton, and a heart-warming portrayal of the bond between a girl and her dog, this story will quickly become a "read-again" favorite.

Kate Olson says

Thanks to the author for providing me with a galley of this book for review - all opinions are my own.

HELLO GOODBYE DOG is an incredibly sweet story about a dog who just does NOT want to stay at home without his girl, since there is nothing he loves more than HELLO! Everytime Zara tells Moose "Goodbye" when she leaves for school, he gets so so upset and expresses things like, "Goodbye was an itch that couldn't be scratched" and chases after her. After enough attempts, he eventually proves just how wonderful he can be at school and ends up being trained as a therapy dog! He passed tests on temperment, sitting down, staying, being with children, being around wheelchairs and finally is certified as a class reading dog.

This story is just adorable and a perfect fit for parents, children, teachers and librarians who appreciate the power of a dog in creating a warm and welcoming environment for readers. As a librarian with a Read to Rover program, this book has been field tested with the students and dog/handler team - it was met with a resounding HOORAY! The author's note at the end includes information on therapy dogs and therapy dog reading programs. I have now purchased 3 copies of this book - 1 for home, 1 for school and 1 for our Read to Rover team.

Laela says

WHOA! Who knew they were making books like this?

Not only is it a cute, funny story: it is also the best illustrations. The protagonist is in a wheel chair but that is not what the story is about. It's about a dog who just loves people. I am so happy this book is in the world.

Thank you Maria & Patrice. This book is going face out right now!

Suzanne says

Maria Gianferrari knows about the closeness of a girl and her dog (just ask her dog Becca), so many of her books feature a dog character. In *Hello Goodbye Dog*, Moose is a loving dog who just wants to be with her girl. There is nothing Moose loves better than hello. When her girl Zara has to go to school, Moose escapes from the house again and again to find Zara and experience hello. Since dogs aren't allowed at school, Zara comes up with a wonderful idea to help Moose avoid goodbyes.

Patrice Barton's illustrations bring Moose to life with an expressive face and tail. We see Moose sporting a wide-mouthed grin from behind a stack of books on the title page. Her eyes are closed in contentment and her tail does small happy circles as she and Zara share a hello hug. When the door of the house shuts her in, we can see her drooping ears and sad eyes through the screen. And I'm pretty sure that's a smirk on her face as she races around the cafeteria playing tag with the principal.

As much fun as the pictures are, the text tells us exactly how Moose feels. "Hello was a ride in the car." "Hello was a pat on the head." "Hello was having a book and someone to read it to you." But goodbye is another thing entirely. "Goodbye was a closing door." "Goodbye was hide without seek." "Goodbye was being alone." Who could blame Moose for hating goodbye? It's a good thing that Zara is a very smart girl who finds the perfect solution.

Another feature of the book is that Zara is in a wheelchair. Nothing is mentioned about why she needs the chair, and it is not brought up or made a big deal of. The only mention of wheelchairs at all is when Moose attends therapy dog school. A page in the back shows photos of kids reading with therapy dogs and lets readers understand that there are dogs like Moose who love to be read to. Websites for more information are also listed.

Highly recommended for dog and book lovers of all ages.

A. says

Day 8: No Frogs in School Classroom Library Giveaway. Enter here: <https://bit.ly/2vs8fuq> Review8: Hello Goodbye Dog a delightful, lyrical book bursting with good things. Fantastic illustrations, a delightfully devoted dog, an emphasis on the power of reading, a multiracial family, a child who is differently abled and fully capable, and a wonderful twist that champions therapy dogs. Love it!!!! Learn more at librarydogs.com & tdi-dog.org

Written by Maria Gianferrari and Illustrated by Patrice Barton

Amber Polo says

A sweet story of a bad dog who isn't really bad. Zara's dog Moose loved hellos. But didn't like goodbyes when Zara went off to school. All ends happily when Moose goes to Therapy Dog school and becomes the Class Reading Dog. A charming story that shows Zara's wheelchair enables her mobility. Lively humorous illustrations for children age 3-7.

Peacegal says

Sweet, happy book about a dog who adores his young, wheelchair-using caregiver so much that he hates to leave her. The book ends with a win-win solution when Moose goes to therapy dog school and is then able to work with his friend all day.

With so many people abusing the good name of service and therapy dogs by buying fake dog vests, etc., off the Internet, it is refreshing to see this explanation of the processes of being trained and evaluated as a good assistance canine.
