

# LORGNETTE

Quarterly Review of Children's and Young Adults' Books

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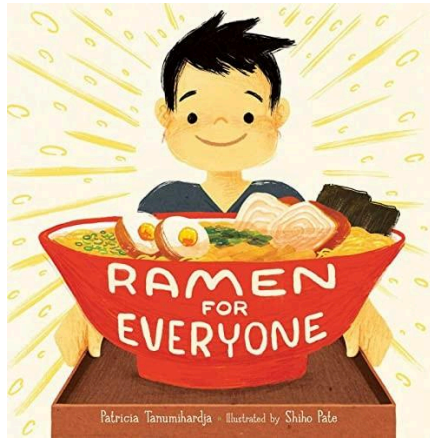
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## Classification

Fiction

## Grade Level

K-3



## Book Review: RAMEN FOR EVERYONE

Ramen is a traditional Japanese noodle dish that has become popular in the United States. Hiro, the main character of the book, watches his dad make a perfect bowl of ramen and wants to do the same. When Hiro turns seven, he decides he is ready to make ramen on his own, but it is a disaster. Will he ever be like his father and grandfather? With some encouragement from his father, Hiro begins again, making a special ramen dish for each family member. Success!

The text of this story is unique. Some pages resemble a graphic novel, while other pages have text worked into the illustrations. This inconsistent format makes it somewhat difficult to read. The book also has a lot of pages, but the illustrations help move the story along.

The back of the book contains an explanation of what ramen is and how it has gained popularity in the United States, plus a recipe for making ramen.

Despite some of its shortcomings, I recommend this book for any public, school, or home library.



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