



# BOOK RESUME: CINDERELLA AND A MOUSE CALLED FRED

## **BOOK SYNOPSIS**

If you thought you knew the fairy tale CINDERELLA, think again!

Did you know that the fairy godmother was actually grouchy? Or that the rodent she transformed into the coach's horse was named Fred? Or that Cinderella hid from the prince when he came looking for her with that uncomfortable glass slipper?!

**Title:** Cinderella and a Mouse Called Fred

**Author:** Deborah Hopkinson; Illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky

**Imprint:** Anne Schwartz Books

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**Format:** Hardcover

**Age Range\*:** 4-8 years

**Grade Range:** PreS-Gr 3  
(Recommended by *School Library Journal*)

A best loved fairytale is given the ending it deserves in this clever picture book that shows a heroine shape her own destiny...and find her fairytale prince.

## **REVIEWS AND PRAISE**

★ "This inventive collaboration between a beloved author and a Caldecott Medal-winning illustrator rises above the sea of retellings with its empowering themes and positive LGBTQIA+ representation." —*School Library Journal*, starred review

★ "Everything old is new again—and keeps getting better; a charming Ella for a new generation." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

"A truly satisfying fairy-tale." —*The Horn Book*

"The text is funny, and the abundant dialogue flows seamlessly, making this spirited and romantic retelling a great choice for storytimes and classroom reader's theater activities." —*Bookpage*

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