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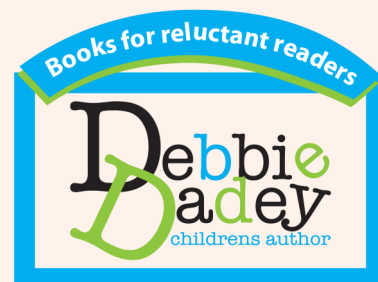
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Summary of A Royal Tea:

Shelly's grandfather has the dreaded penguin pox. Pearl is terribly afraid she'll catch it. But she forgets to be scared when Shelly's aunt, Queen Edwina, announces she will be coming to tea at Shelly's small apartment.

Kiki and Echo help Shelly clean up and make a few treats, but it is Pearl who knows everything about entertaining royalty. Pearl even suspects that Queen Edwina is really coming to take Shelly away to live in the royal palace. Pearl can't think of anything better, but Shelly doesn't want to leave her family and friends behind. Will she really have to leave everything to be a princess?



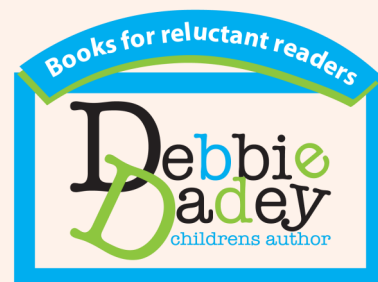
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Discussion Questions for A Royal Tea:

1. What is a contagious disease? Have you ever been contagious? What should you do if you are?
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2. Mrs. Karp's class does reports on penguins. Find five facts about penguins. Name three ways penguins are different from humans. CCSS.ELA-Literacy RL 2.6 and 3.5
3. Have you ever been afraid? How did you handle it? What did Shelly do when she was afraid Queen Edwina would take her away?
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4. Kiki knows who to make comb jelly tea. Find a recipe for a food or drink. Use measuring skills to make it at school or home. CCSS.Math.Content.3.MD.A.2
5. Queen Edwina gives Shelly letters from her parents. Write a letter to someone in your family telling what you think about penguins. CCSS.ELA-Literacy 2.1 and 3.1



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Dear Reader,

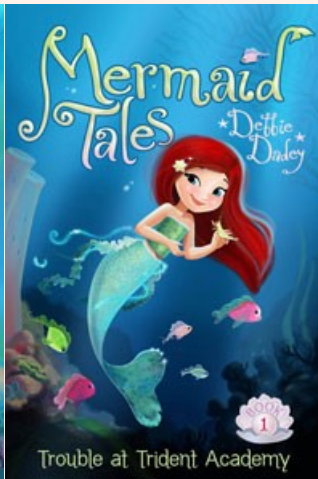
Would you want to be a princess? What if it meant leaving everything you know and love behind? In A Royal Tea, Shelly is afraid that Queen Edwina will take her away to live in a royal castle.

This story also has one of my favorite sea creatures featured. The penguin! I learned a lot about penguins when I was writing this story. I hope you enjoy learning about penguins and Shelly as you read this book, Mermaid Tales #9. If you like this one, please try one of the others in the series. Below are the stories that feature Shelly.



Your mermaid friend,

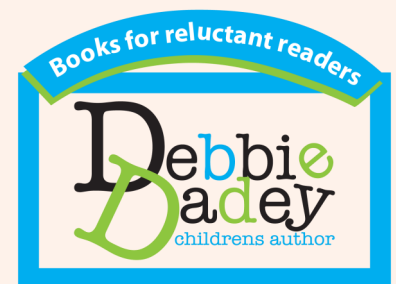
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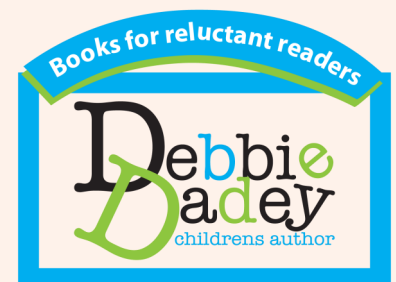
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Party Ideas!

1. Every prince and princess needs a crown. Let kids cut out and decorate their own!
2. Let kids decorate their own sugar cookies for the party.
3. Queen Edwina loves penguins, so make a penguin snack using bananas, chocolate, edible eyes, and nuts or candy.
4. Use paper cups or paper towel rolls to make an awesome penguin. Two bottoms of plastic soda bottles put together make a cute penguin too.
5. Read from *A Royal Tea*. Kids can act out the story and even dress up!
6. Play pin the egg on the penguin's feet.
7. Sing and act out *I'm a little teapot*.



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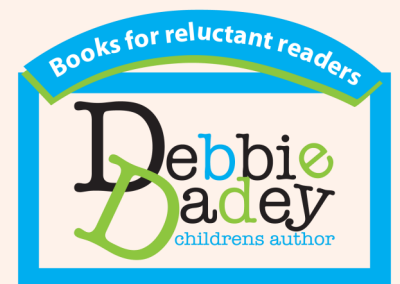
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TEA PARTY RULES:

1. Dress nicely.
2. Napkin goes on your lap.
3. Be friendly with all the guests.
4. Pass food to the right.
5. Elbows are not allowed on the table.



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