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From *imusti* : No Such Thing before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised No Such Thing:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Love! By Kim Excellent story and beautiful retro illustrations. My 3 year old daughter loves this book! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Witty Childrens Book By Woody Tobias Jr. I loved this witty little book, but more importantly my kids loved it. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Sweet Little Halloween Tale By Talvi No Such Thing is a sweet Halloween story of Georgia, her pets, and the 'mysterious' happenings around her house. The illustrations capture a lovely retro-vintage style and clever children will immediately spot the mischievous but cute ghost hiding somewhere in each of the room images. Story: There are unexplained activities in Georgia's house - from spiderwebs covering her favorite toys to items disappearing/changing locations. But Georgia is a clever girl and she knows it can't be the work of ghosts - because there is no such thing! The story features beautiful, full page illustrations and one-line rhyming sentences for each spread. The illustrations make great use of each room, with all kinds of fun things to explore amidst the 'chaos' caused by the ghosts. As well, hidden somewhere in those full page spreads, lurking behind objects or just leaving the scene of the crime, is a cute little ghost. There's a lot to enjoy in the illustration work which is clean yet amusingly cluttered by the ghostly activities. I especially loved that her perplexed black cat was featured in nearly every spread - either as a victim of a ghost or as a spectator. Whether we saw little cat eyes peeping over a foot board or a furry body dripping from water from an overturned vase, it was all very cute! I also really liked that the art had a distinct 'homage to the 1950s' style without actually looking 1950s (perhaps a barcalounger here or a kidney table there). The story is nicely written with rhyming sentences that keep interest and capture attention in little ones. But really, the fun is reading aloud to a child. The story is quirky enough to really have fun but never be scary. In all, a sweet Halloween book of a clever girl and her put-upon

cat - and their adventure right before Halloween. Reviewed from an ARC.

One cool day in late October, Georgia noticed something weird. Objects would move around the house and sometimes they even disappeared. Now, some people may have wondered (especially at this time of year) if this was the work of something spooky? But not clever Georgia! She has all the explanations and none of the fear! Join her in debunking the spookiest of ghoulish and ghostly mischief in this Halloween adventure! Ella Bailey is an illustrator and writer who recently graduated from Falmouth University, England, with a first class honors degree in illustration. Although a recent graduate, her charming characters and effortless storytelling easily belie her years. Her engaging narrative rhythm, and boundless imagination, is instantly captivating. Her art blends the plucky playfulness of a modern day Mary Blair with the whimsical sincerity of a millennial. No Such Thing is her first published work.

From School Library Journal K-Gr 2—Georgia knows there are no such thing as ghosts, even during this spooky time of year (October). When she notices things that are out of place, missing, or broken, she cleverly works out who the culprit is—the cat, the dog, her little brother, a spider, etc. Unfortunately, the illustrations belie her certainty that there are no such thing as ghosts. Each image has a little guilty ghost hidden within, and finding them ranges from super easy to rather tricky. At the end, everyone (except Georgia) gets a good look when the living room is transformed into a ghost-filled Halloween party. The text has some Briticisms (pinched, torch light) and some challenging vocabulary (whilst, pilfered, deduced, sleuth) that can either enrich or distract from the story, depending on the audience. The rhyme scheme struggles at times but manages to pull through in the end. The retro-style illustrations, featuring muted pink, blue and golds, are spot-on. Kids will have a good time being in on the joke and looking for all the hidden (and not so hidden) ghosts.—Catherine Callegari, Gay-Kimball Library, Troy, NH The retro-style illustrations, featuring muted pink, blue and golds, are spot-on. Kids will have a good time being in on the joke and looking for all the hidden (and not so hidden) ghosts. ?School Library Journal No Such Thing is spooky without ever being scary ? just the right kind of silly ghost-story for the run-up to Hallowe'en. Artist/author Ella Bailey has done a wonderful job of telling a story with pictures and words, and there are delightful visual flourishes on every page, conveying the full flavor of Georgia's increasing insistence that there must be a rational explanation for all these things. ?Cory Doctorow, Boing Boing Bailey has created a gorgeous world [...] from the furniture and wallpaper to the food in the fridge. Every bit is pleasing to look at. The text is playful and ever-so-slightly sarcastic, which appeals to all different audiences. Georgia's character is so important in this book because she is a strong female role model. [...] No Such Thing is definitely an A+ book, one that every young reader should have in their collection. ?This Picture Book Life Bailey's illustrations are full of wide-eyed character and expression with plenty of detail in each scene to keep keener eyes occupied. ?Creative A great Halloween gift that would last a lot longer than candy. ?The Book Faerie With it's playful, smiley ghosts, No Such Thing is a great Halloween pick for those who tend to become uncomfortable or frightened by ghoulish holiday staples. ?Sturdy for Common Things Super-cute and friendly ghosts make mischief in this creative ghost story. Watch your little one have fun finding hidden ghosts on each page. Even those easily scared will find these little ghosts charming and delightful! [...] No Such Thing is a favorite! ?This Picture Book Life The illustrations have a sweet retro feel and include a lot of fun details that are thoughtful and fun to linger on. It is definitely one to add to your "Spooky Stack" of books for Halloween! #8212 Book Nerd Mommy As ever, Flying Eye books have put together something magical - and just a little spooky too. Ella Bailey's bold artwork and wonderful insights into the inner workings of a child's mind blend together perfectly for a hoot of a story. ?Read It Daddy