

*The Worry Tree*

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The book *The Worry Tree* by Marianne Musgrove is about a young girl, Juliet, who doesn't get along with her little sister, Oaf. Because of this, her parents decide she needs to move into the spare bedroom currently being used as her dad's storage room. When Juliet finally moves in, she discovers a painting on the wall that her grandmother says is called the worry tree. This "tree" contains multiple different animals pertaining to all kinds of worries that Juliet might have. For example, one of the main animals, Delia the Duck, was to be told about changes in life that cause worries and stress. When Juliet changes rooms, she goes to Delia and tells her all about her worries and stress about changing rooms, including all of the problems she thinks she has caused between her parents.

This novel was very interesting and definitely a page turner. *The Worry Tree* is a novel meant for younger kids as it is written with very kid directed subjects. For that reason I would recommend this book primarily to anyone who is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader or younger. If someone my age wanted to rediscover their inner child through reading a book, I would definitely highly recommend this book. I have nothing negative to say about *The Worry Tree*. A few ways to read this book would be through a parent reading it to their kids. If someone ever asked me what a good book to read was, and they wanted a quick read, I would recommend this novel. All-in-all this book was really cute and definitely worth the read even if it wasn't written for people over the age of 12.