

Chutki aur chiro

Name of the book: Chutki aur Chiro

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Summary: The book is about a young girl Chutki who has a fear of darkness. One day her mother told her that she should not fear from dark as a fairy will come to meet her in the dark. So she decides to find the fairy in the dark by using a torch. While finding the fairy Chutki met chiro who in turn is afraid of light. Chutki handles torch to chiro due to which his fear of dark gets faded. But the story is left with a question that what about the fear of Chutki?

Review: The book deals with fear that most of the young children have and even some adults as well. This is the fear of darkness. Chutki's fear of darkness doesn't seemed odd but chiros fear of light has surprised Chutki as well as the reader. It might be because Chutki lives in the light so she is adapted to that while chiro being a Bat lives in darkness hence he is afraid of light. The way Chutki deals with chiros fear is quite interesting and symbolises the fact that we should face our fears to overcome them. This is an open ended book it leaves on reader how he/she interprets the ending. We could talk to children and ask them to think how we can overcome Chutki's fear of darkness.