



Eva Evergreen, **Semi-Magical Witch** *Reading Guide*

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EVA EVERGREEN: Sometimes, all you need is a pinch of magic



Eva Evergreen is determined to earn the rank of Novice Witch before her thirteenth birthday. If she doesn't, she'll lose her magic forever. For most young witches and wizards, it's a simple enough test:

ONE: Help your town, do good all around.

TWO: Live there for one moon, don't leave too soon.

THREE: Fly home by broomstick, the easiest of tricks.

The only problem? Eva only has a pinch of magic. She summons heads of cabbage instead of flowers and gets a sunburn instead of calling down rain. And to add insult to injury, whenever she overuses her magic, she falls asleep.

When she lands in the tranquil coastal town of Auteri, the residents expect a powerful witch, not a semi-magical girl. So Eva comes up with a plan: set up a magical repair shop to aid Auteri and prove she's worthy. She may have more blood than magic, but her "semi-magical fixes" repair the lives of the townspeople in ways they never could have imagined. Only, Eva's bit of magic may not be enough when the biggest magical storm in history threatens the town she's grown to love. Eva must conjure up all of the magic, bravery, and cleverness she can muster or Auteri and her dreams of becoming a witch will wash away with the storm.

WARNING!

Spoilers ahead! To avoid spoiling the story, only read the discussion questions AFTER you finish reading the book!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1 Eva only has a pinch of magic, but she keeps practicing and practicing to improve her magic. What do you practice to try to become better at? If there's nothing that comes to mind, what would you like to try?

2 Food is an essential part of Eva's story. What would you want to try from her adventures? A sandwich made by Yuri? One of Eva's father's croissants? A contomelon roll?

3 If you could cast any spell, what would you do?

4 Now it's your turn to write your own spell book. Create a spell in the form of a rhyme!

5 Rin is Eva's guardian and also her role model. Who is a role model in your life, and what do you learn from them?

6 Eva's flamefox is named Ember, and he's a lot of trouble! If you could have any pet--magical or not--what would you choose?



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