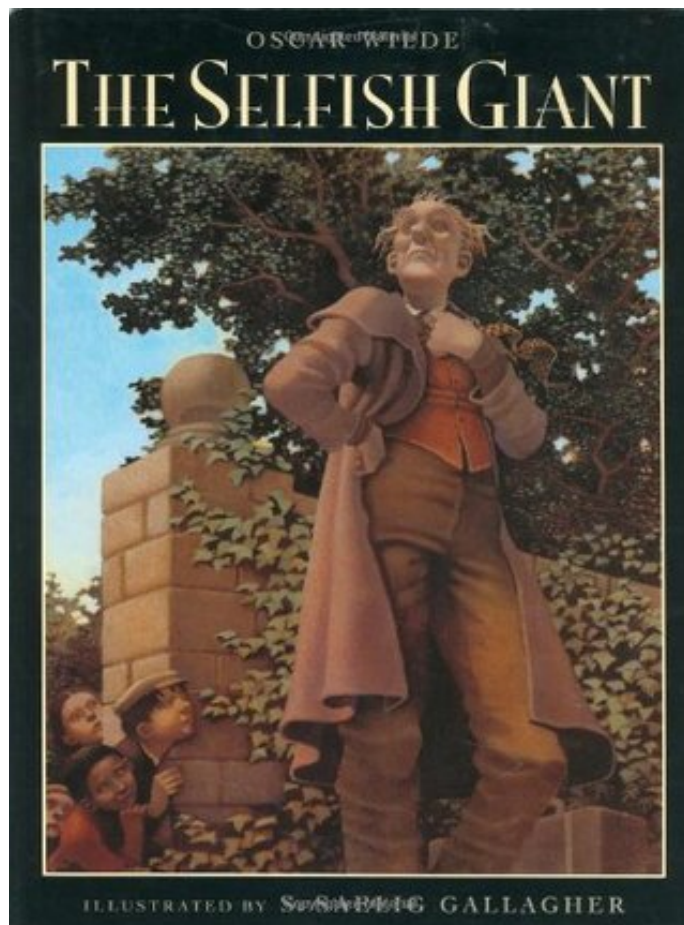

Oscar Wilde

The Selfish Giant



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Description

This magnificent new edition of Oscar Wilde's beloved tale tells the story of the selfish giant who built a wall around his beautiful garden to keep children out. It was always winter in the garden, for no other season would venture there. Then one morning, a special child brought Spring back, and the giant's heart melted along with the snow.

Insightful reviews

Althea Ann: Oscar Wilde! Oscar Wilde is awesome, right? Not to mention decadent, unconventional...?

Well, you wouldn't guess it from this tale.

This is a saccharine, moralizing story with a bit of a priggish attitude. The Christian allegory could not be more blatant if this were a retelling of a Bible verse.

A selfish giant doesn't allow any of the children to play in his garden. Because of his attitude, the garden becomes a bleak place where spring never blooms. But he eventually learns to mend his ways, and reaps the rewards...

Carolina: Este também é adorável, mas por outro lado acho que me escapou qualquer coisa naquele final.

Melanie: An interesting tale of giant who does not want the neighborhood children to play in his garden while he is away. So he builds a wall about the garden and the children are very sad. Winter and snow comes and it stays and stays and stays...the giant does not understand and is angry that the spring won't come. One day the children find a way to sneak in and suddenly the garden transforms into spring. The giant takes an interest in a little boy who is trying to climb into a tree but is too short to jump/climb into the tree. The tree limbs are too short to reach down to the child. The giant feels awful about how he has treated the children so he helps the child into the tree. All of the children return day after day, year after year. But the small boy, the giant's favorite, never returns. One day the giant sees the little boy and wanders over. The child has holes in his hands and feet but he won't tell the giant where they came from. He does tell the giant that it is time for him to join him in his garden. When the other children return, they find the giant dead and covered in white flowers.

Already this book has irritated parents who do not want their children exposed to overt Christian messages. Christianity not being in the subject headings is a problem.

Rachel Fellows: I learn this to Georgia for the 1st time today--her first Oscar Wilde! I presumed the stigmata message on the finish used to be a bit too weirdly non secular for my taste, yet it is Oscar Wilde, so I used to be in a position to omit it.

Ray: The egocentric huge is a booklet a couple of bothered giant, who returns from a protracted holiday to discover childrens having fun with the delights of his garden. Upon seeing this the

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