

Grumpy Nasty Eugene

Terrific by Jon Agee is a story about a stubborn and nasty old man named Eugene. He was trapped on a little island with a clever little parrot. The parrot made Eugene build a boat. But after a few hours the wind died down. And Eugene and the parrot were trapped on the boat for hours. Also a boat hit them. Finally Eugene ended up in Bermuda. *Terrific* by Jon Agee is a story about an old grumpy nasty man who got stuck on a little island with a clever parrot but, I think the story is about an old grumpy nasty man who didn't get rescued when there was a big storm.

One way Eugene is a grumpy and a nasty man is when he meets the clever parrot. When Eugene met the parrot he said, "Terrific," said Eugene. What good is a parrot?" "You'd be surprised," said the parrot. (pg.7). When Eugene was still getting to know the parrot he said, "Uh are you stranded on this island too?" "Afraid so," said the parrot. "My wing is busted." (pg.7).

The other way Eugene is a grumpy and a nasty man is when he doesn't get his way. One example of this is when Eugene dried up on an island by himself and he said, "Terrific," I'll probably get devoured by sharks." (pg.5). Another way Eugene doesn't get his way is when Eugene is hungry and he asks the parrot, "Anything around here to eat?" "Plenty of pomegranates," said the parrot. "I hate pomegranates! Anything to drink?" Pomegranate juice," said the parrot. (pg.9).

The big idea is Eugene is a grump and a very nasty old man who wasn't rescued but made a new parrot friend. My personal connection to *Terrific* is sometimes I am grumpy and nasty. Some examples of when I am nasty are when I'm with my brother and he annoys me & yelling at my family members or Meredith. And finally the only time I'm grumpy is when I am sleepy at night.