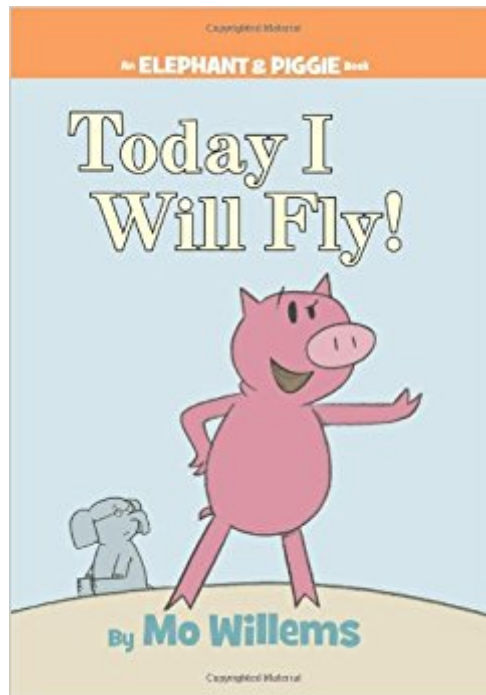




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# Today I Will Fly! (An Elephant And Piggie Book)



## Synopsis

Gerald is careful. Piggie is not. Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald worries so that Piggie does not have to. Gerald and Piggie are best friends. Today, *I Will Fly!* is the funny introduction to the characters. Piggie is determined to fly. But Gerald the elephant knows that's impossible--isn't it?

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

**\*Starred Review\*** Graphic novel influences have reached into most areas of children's book publishing; here, they crop up in a classic genre--the friendship--duo easy reader--and chalk up yet another success for two-time Caldecott Honor winner Willems. The basic approach is familiar from Willems' previous books, especially *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* (2003). It's as if each page were one frame of a comic strip, characters zip in and out of white space, proffer speech-bubble remarks, and express emotion through spot-on body language. *Today I Will Fly* juxtaposes Piggie's optimistic ambitions with stodgier Elephant's naysaying. There are also plenty of quirky details to reward repeated readings, including the charmingly incongruous mystery of Piggie's real name (Elephant's, we learn, is Gerald). Accessible, appealing, and full of authentic emotions about what makes friendships tick, this will put a contemporary shine on easy reader collections. Vying for their affections is that irrepressible pigeon, who, still utterly in character, finds his way onto the endpapers. Jennifer Mattson Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

"\* "In the world of children's books, the biggest new talent to emerge thus far in the '00s is the writer-illustrator Mo Willems." (The New York Times Book Review) \* "This picture book demands audience participation... Readers will identify with the pigeon themselves!" (The Bookseller on Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Mo Willems writes wonderful books that I can appreciate myself.

Cute book

The children I tutor love these books and they offer many possibilities for teaching how to spell and identify words.

I love everything else I've read by Mo Williams to date, but this one kind of puts me off. Piggie decides she will fly. Then elephant spends half the book telling Piggie she will not. It just strikes me as oddly negative every time I read it to my kid.

These books are great. For a starter reader to a reader. They are cute.

These books are great for beginning readers because of the repetition of sight words. The two main characters are precious! I highly recommend beginning a collection of Mo Williams' books for your children or grandchildren.

I would love love love these books this author is just absolutely amazing, he grabs the kids and makes it so that they don't want to put the book down. My child is even trying to read these books I'm truly enjoying it and my husband and I are to be purchasing all of them that he has put out highly recommend

Today I Will Fly! (Elephant and Piggie) The Elephant and Piggie books FLY out of my classroom for home reading and are in great demand at the reading table~~better than Seuss for high interest. Contains just the right amount of text for beginning readers and lots of high frequency word practice. I've been teaching K-2 for 32 years and haven't seen this kind of excitement over a book series from very young readers. Mo Willems is a teacher's dream come true!

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