FISH IN A TREE by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



Ally Nickerson is in sixth grade. She hates school and has no friends. School is hard for her because...she can't read or write. Usually, she finds ways to get out of the tasks, going to the nurse, the bathroom, or just not doing it, which gets her sent to the principal's office. But after her teacher has a baby, a new teacher replaces her and the worst part about it is that he's nice. How will she be sent to the office? Will Ally learn to read? Why can't she? Read the book to find out!

Fish in a Tree is a book you should try if you want to read about a "normal" girl's life there aren't unicorns, dragons or wizards. It's not a mystery, but certainly has a few in it. There's nothing too out of the ordinary, it's just a page turner. I read all 266 pages in 3-4 days, I just couldn't stop. I suggest if you're like me and you like a realistic fiction book, read Fish in a Tree.

While her dad's in the army and her moving schools every year, it's hard to settle. I think Lynda Mullaly Hunt does a great job of describing how it feels. There's lots of imagery, and this quote guides the story along: "Everybody is smart in different ways. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its life believing it is stupid." Read the book to see where Ally's journey takes her!