When James and Eamon go to a week of Nature Camp and stay at Eamon's grandparents house, it turns out that their free time spent staying inside, eating waffles, and playing video games is way more interesting than nature. But sometimes things work out best when they don't go exactly as planned.

In this moving and hilarious celebration of young boys, childhood friendships, and the power of the imagination, Marla Frazee captures the very essence of summer vacation and what it means to be a kid.

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My Personal Review:
James was on his way to visit Eamon at his grandparent's house on the beach. His legs dangled over the car seat as he had his head buried in a "Nature Day Camp" brochure. The guys were going to have a really fun week. Bill and Pam were Eamon's grandparents and they really weren't all that much fun. Before James got there, poor Eamon was stuck sitting on the couch in between the two of them. He had his hands half clenched between his knees and if his eyes were rolled up any higher in his head he'd be able to see his brains. The conversation was astoundingly boring and when "DING DONG!" his friend showed up and it was a huge relief!

James brought all his junk because a week is a long time. His favorite pillow, his stuffies, his video game system . . . you name it, if it could be packed he had it. Bill and Pam spoke a different kind of language and were boring, but the boys might survive the week if they had each other. If Bill and Pam had their druthers, the boys would learn a lot. They sure did. When Bill was almost sideswiped by a yellow sports car "James and Eamon learned a lot of new vocabulary words." "@%&!" Of course taking a hike to look at "some flower for an hour" was a big turn off and looking at a "large map of Antarctica on the living-room floor" was for the birds, but
maybe, just maybe the boys could have some fun in spite of the goofy
grownup grandparents that Eamon and James were stuck with.

This book was absolutely hysterical and, no slight to the Bills and Pams of
the world, true. The boys, who became so close they were renamed
"Jamon," unfortunately had to put up with the old geezers for a week, but
made it through just nicely. The artwork is "all boy" and compliments the
text perfectly. My favorite scene was when the two wide-awake boys were
chomping at a mile high bowl of popcorn with Bill and Pam snoozing on
either side of them. ZZZZZ! So much for the party! Any youngster who is
stuck with their grandparents for at least a week during the summer is
going to LOVE this one! Au contraire, if you are a grandparent you're
going to laugh and laugh and laugh at this Caldecott Honor book (if you're
not snoozing that is)!

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