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Fatima and the Clementine Thieves

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When their orchard mysteriously comes under attack, Fatima and her grandfather rely on a cluster of unlikely allies to save an important crop in Mireille Messier's *Fatima and the Clementine Thieves*. Beautifully accented watercolors from Gabrielle Grimard add to the allure with exotically detailed textiles, landscapes, and architecture. Inspired by the African proverb of the elephants and spiderwebs, Fatima and her friends prove that by working together, even little things can have a big impact.

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