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Christmas is a time for books to keep and two that I would choose to give children of seven-plus, to be shared and treasured by all the family, are newly illustrated versions of Oscar Wilde stories. The illustrations in **The Happy Prince** fit exactly the period in which Wilde wrote and perfectly reflect the loneliness and love of which he tells.

The Nightingale and the Rose is a harsher, more tragic story than the previous one and the translucent shades of blue pervading each illustration are an expression of the tragedy of unrequited love.

There is not the lasting joy of **The Happy Prince** but a fragile beauty in the illustrations which makes it a perfect partner.

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