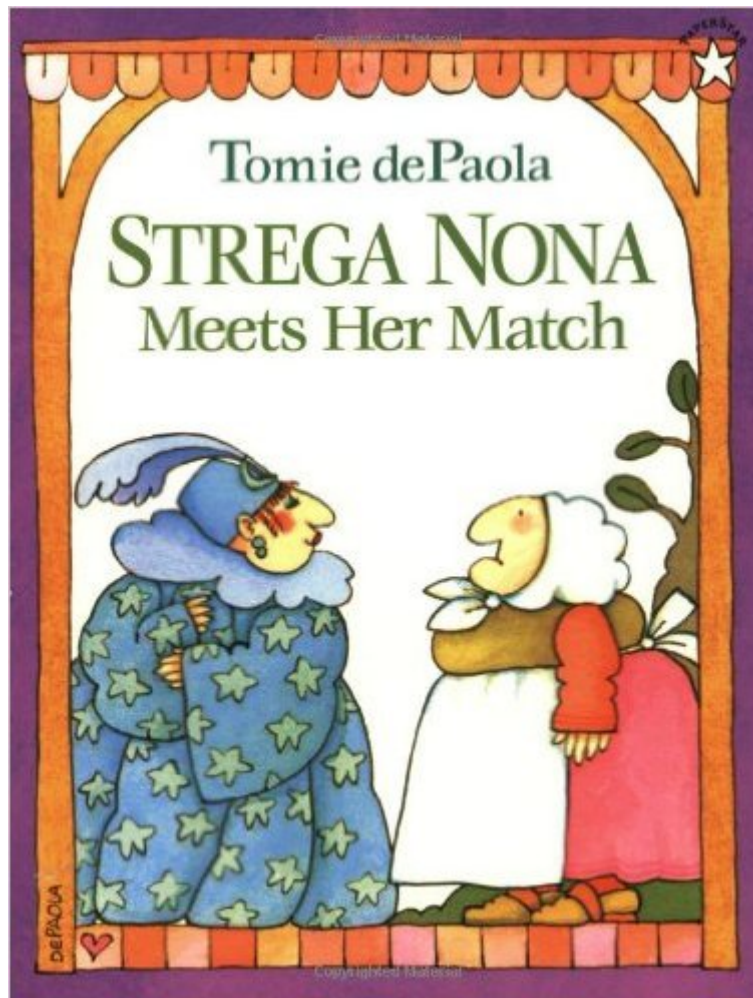


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# Strega Nona Meets Her Match



## Synopsis

Tomie dePaola's beloved and bestselling Strega Nona gets in some friendly competition in this beloved addition to the series! Strega Nona (Grandma Witch) has cures for warts and headaches, even lovesickness. She uses old-fashioned potions and magic and the villagers in Calabria flock to her door. But when her friend Strega Amelia comes over the mountain for a visit, she brings more than just gossip. Soon she's set up her own shop, using the latest modern gadgets, offering sweets and cappuccino--to all of Strega Nona's regulars! Looks like Strega Nona's met her match, Unless she's got her own cure. For Strega Amelia!"A pleasure to read aloud, this features the broad humor that young children relish." "Booklist"

## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Our family just loves the Stega Nona book series and this one was another perfect one to add to our collection. Strega Nona has an old friend come to visit. Her friend decides that she wants to take set up her shop there in Strega Nona's town. I could not believe that her friend did that, however, after putting Strega Nona out of business her friend makes the mistake of hiring Big Anthony. Which if you have read the Strega Nona books before, you will know that Big Anthony messes up everything he touches. Karma comes and gives Strega back all her business and her friend leaves town. Good

for Strega Nona, proving sometimes Karma is a business killer. HAHA!My kids really enjoyed this book, and the lesson was great. Friends should not try to take other friends customers.

Not quite as good as the first Strega Nona but very entertaining. After reading the first Strega Nona book to my son he kept asking about Strega Amelia who was mentioned, but never actually appeared in the first book. So, I went on line and found that there was actually a Strega Nona book that had Strega Amelia appearing in the book! My son enjoyed the book. He is 5 so not sure if he quite got the story line, but he still liked it. I would say this book is more for a 6 or older kid.

Tommy DePaola writes an interesting story about Strega Nona and her cousin. Big Anthony always makes mistakes with Strega Amelia. All the people went back to Strega Nona. I liked the illustrations very much. Lissette. R.

We've been a fan of the Strega Nona series for some time now and this one is a bright addition to our library. This storyline also offers a good opportunity for discussing the benefits of traditional and modern methods with kids.

Strega Nona always seems to come out on top with a bit of patience and some sly, cunning knowledge, she waits it out without losing her temper or blowing that calm, knowing image...it's priceless in many ways. A lesson from Strega Nona is always welcome, here the lesson we learn is about competition...when Strega Amelia comes to visit and sees how many people come to Strega Nona she's impressed and you can see the gears turning...she thinks she can do better with her modern ways. Strega Amelia immediately beats feet back home and shows up a few days later with three wagon's loaded down with her modern witchy machines and contraptions; as we all remember, Strega Amelia favors the "new" ways and Strega Nona favors the old ways...both valid for the women in question, but are Strega Amelia's ways for this town? Bambalona is outraged by Amelia's modern ways...wooing customers away with sweet treats and cappuccino and even more upset when all Strega Nona's customers turn to Strega Amelia and even Big Anthony signs on as her helper...but Strega Nona knows something Bambalona doesn't and blesses the arrangement. All seems to go well until Amelia has to leave for three days to fetch the rest of her stuff and leaves Big Anthony in charge...Strega Nona would have known better! Read and find out what happens to Strega Amelia and about all the silly and forgetful things Big Anthony does with her equipment! Another 5 star story from Tomie de Paola, Strega Nona Meets Her Match Indeed...it's told in the

same simple yet timeless style as his other Straga Nona titles and we simply can't get enough of this trio and their silly adventures that always leave us with a smile and a wise lesson learned!

Ahh, what can I say? Tomie de Paola's characters and illustrations are timeless and classic. I have never read a de Paola book I didn't love - at least not that I can recall at the moment.

I love all of Tomie dePaola's books! His illustrations and stories are so rich and entertaining. My children have asked to read these books aloud again and again!

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