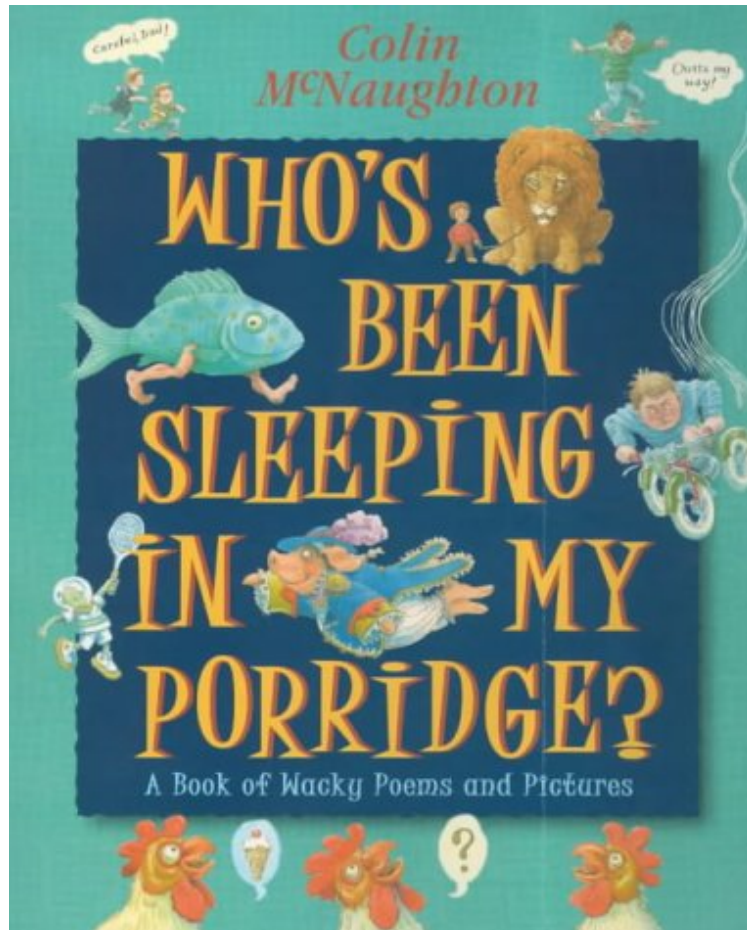


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A collection of poems that take a look at the grosser, weirder, funnier side of life, including "A Giant Gorilla Came Up to Me," "Itchy Feet," and "If Ever Aliens."

From Publishers Weekly "Robot's dead./ Lack of grease./ Parson said,/ 'Rust in peace.' " Working in forms that range from pithy quatrains to two-page mock epics, McNaughton (Making Friends with Frankenstein) offers the elementary school set another survey of the comic verse form. No one can accuse McNaughton of not identifying with his audience or of failing to understand their taste for the rather gross. He cheerfully applies his art to baby and bird poop, marbles stuck up the nose, etc. A few poems are truly inspired, like the lament of a child whose mother has turned into a pirate: "I can't go to school now,/ Because, to be frank,/ Mom will threaten teachers/ With walking the plank!" Unfortunately, this collection is uneven, with many verses devoted to overextended one-liners or tired conceits. What's more, McNaughton's Briticisms may be lost on young audiences here: punch lines refer to Debrett's, Boxing Day and the like. Conversely, the attempted Americanisms fall flat ("They call me Harley./ Man, Ah'm cool!"). The accompanying illustrations provide good comic riffs, although there's not enough of the visual vaudeville that distinguishes McNaughton's best work. Ages 5-10. Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From School Library Journal Kindergarten-Grade 3-A collection of poetry that has all of the same broad, slapstick humor found in McNaughton's three picture books, Suddenly! (1995); Boo! (1996); and Oops! (1997, all Harcourt). Four-line jokes; longer odes filled with words of McNaughton's own creation; and profiles of monsters, headgear, and an assortment of other topics fill the pages. Plays on words abound, along with longer ballads about such characters as "Doris the Pirate" and "Davy Duff" and the story of a most unusual soccer game played in the Himalayas called "Firtilstern United." The humor ranges from guffaws to a sly wink, so there's something here to tickle any funny bone. A small alien craft that lands on a bald head and a two-headed, seven-handed monster who is unhappy at school are a sampling of the amusing watercolor creatures that inhabit the pages along with kids and grownups of every size and description. Childlike humor is always in evidence in this treat for sharing or reading alone. Jane Marino, Scarsdale Public Library, NY Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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