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- the hippopotamus (she's missing)
- the elephant (he's artistically talented)
- the octopus (it's great at multitasking).

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- the halibutterfly (there's something fishy about it)
- the gludu (quite clingy).

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Editorial Review

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Prelutsky presents more than 100 humorous poems in loose groupings, brought to buoyant life by Urbanovic's lively pen-and-ink gestures. Though uniformly and squarely aimed at the elementary-school funny bone, the poems represent a wide variety of form and style. Some, like "The Pelicantaloupes" and "The Appleopards," imagine an unlikely cross between an animal and a fruit and come accompanied by pronunciation assistance. Others find silliness in everyday circumstance, while most veer toward the hilarious and totally unexpected (like "Shopping at a Dragon Store"). A few haiku find their way in, as do the odd limerick and concrete poem. Many share a common meter (think "Miss Lucy had a steamboat"), making them particularly well suited to be read, or chanted, aloud. Urbanovic's cartoony black-and-white line drawings enjoy ample real estate, spreading across pages to reinforce the poetic puns. It's easy to imagine this one being passed around the cafeteria or safely stored in a backpack. Grades 2-4. --Thom Barthelmess

Review

"Another winning choice for newcomers and fans alike." (ALA Booklist)

"With her wildly expressive characters and expertly conveyed physical comedy... this is sure to be a read-aloud hit." (ALA Booklist)

About the Author

Jack Prelutsky is the best-selling author of more than fifty books of poetry, including *The New Kid on the Block*, illustrated by James Stevenson, and *Stardines Swim High Across the Sky*, illustrated by Carin Berger. Jack Prelutsky lives in Washington State.

Jackie Urbanovic is the *New York Times* best-selling author and illustrator of *Duck at the Door, Duck Soup*, and *Duck and Cover*, as well as the illustrator of *If You're Hoppy*, by April Pulley Sayre. She lives in Silver Spring, Maryland.

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