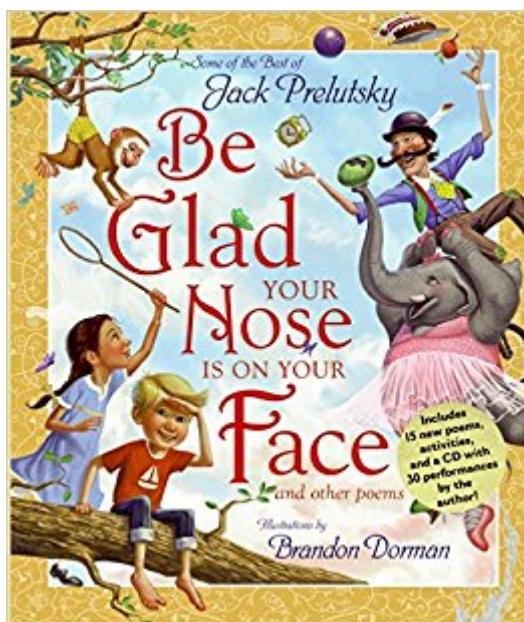


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# Be Glad Your Nose Is On Your Face: And Other Poems: Some Of The Best Of Jack Prelutsky



## **Synopsis**

When you're in the world of Jack Prelutsky, anything can happen. Ogres run wild, dragons sing, and baby uggs hatch. . . . Frogs wear red suspenders in a rainstorm of pigs and noodles. . . . Scranimals gallivant under a pizza the size of the sun. . . . Even the new kid on the block can see that the nation's first Children's Poet Laureate is something big. So, what are you waiting for? Let your parents think you're sleeping, and ride a purple pelican to a land where imagination is king, ridiculous rhymes rule, and laughing out loud is guaranteed! These are Jack Prelutsky's greatest hits! This magnificent treasury of more than one hundred of Jack Prelutsky's most celebrated verses, along with fifteen all-new poems, is a tribute to his gifts to children's literature over the past forty years. Lushly illustrated by rising star Brandon Dorman and featuring a CD with classic performances by the poet himself, it is the perfect volume for any poetry lover's bookshelf.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

PreSchool-Grade 3 "This fat, sunny volume brings together 112 of Prelutsky's poems. Most are old favorites from the past four decades, but 15 of them have never been published before. Kicking off with a letter from the poet, the book contains five sections, each concluding with a page of activities such as word games and drawing prompts. Digital illustrations with lavish details and colors stand out nicely from the ample white space, yet their overall loudness tends to wash out some of the

verses' clever snappiness. A CD features the author reading 30 of the poems to a slightly overpowering musical accompaniment. Fans as well as children just discovering Prelutsky should enjoy hearing him read his work aloud.â "Julie Roach, Cambridge Public Library, MA Copyright Â© Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

This picture bookâ "size anthology brings together more than 100 of Prelutskyâ "s poems with 15 original selections written just for this volume. Fans of the first U.S. Childrenâ "s Poet Laureate will recognize his trademark themes and unbounded silliness in the new works, which include tongue twisters (â œThe wily wizard Wabaloo / will wisely waste no words with youâ •), sly wordplay (â œYouâ "d better beware / of the Blitter, because itâ "s out to obliterate youâ •), and mischievous twists of meaning (â œI buttoned my supper, / and swallowed my shirt. / I ate my pajamas, / and wore my dessertâ •). Dorman, who illustrated Prelutskyâ "s *The Wizard* (2007), once again captures both the subjects and spirit of the poetry in polished, colorful, digitally manipulated artwork that makes the most of the playful contradictions in the words. The wide, captivating cast of dragons, ogres, and ghouls are at once gruesome and endearing; platters of food combine revolting and delicious elements; and Dorman puts an imaginative spin on Prelutskyâ "s wildest characters, such as the tri-headed, backup-singing column of goo that illustrates â œSong of the Gloopy Glopers.â • A CD and frequent puzzles and other activities round out this welcome greatest-hits collection thatâ "s sure to make new fans, while pleasing Prelutskyâ "s legion of established followers. Grades K-5. --Gillian Engberg

I purchased this book for a friend's child several years ago, and it has always been one of her favorites. I was excited to get a copy for my own child! My baby is only 3.5 months old, but I read this book to her aloud frequently. Studies show that the more words children hear, the smarter they are (and no, tv and radio don't count), so reading is paramount for developing your child's brain. Prelutsky has a masterful command of the English language, and many of the poems have clever word play and double entendres. The illustrations (which I presume are what is keeping my baby interested at this stage), are lush and colorful and layered with incredible detail. This book is a must for any child's library.

I love MOST of these poems. Most are wholesome and just fun. Except some about goblins, dragons, trolls and monsters and eating nasty stuff. Oh how I wish these had not been included! I read this book to my 1, 3 and 5 year old, but I don't leave it where they can flip through it

themselves because some of the pictures and poems are disturbing. With that said, I LOVE almost all the rest of the book. These poems are fun to read aloud and the rest of it is so good. It's a shame because if it weren't for those scary/gruesome ones it would be an awesome baby shower gift!

Very nice book - good quality. Surprised a 6 + 8 yr old in time for a special Fathers day reading.

Love this book. Poems are great, illustrations are great. Very interesting, silly, goofy subject matter.

Already fans of Prelutsky, we found this in our library and had to get one for ourselves, A wonderful collection of beautifully illustrated poems collected from many of his earlier books. Additionally this book comes with a CD of 25 or so poems that are perfect for playing in the car. Read by the author, most are set to music making them wonderfully (or woefully depending on whether you are a child or parent) memorable. No problem for a 4 year old to be able to recite a few of these substantial poems on his own within a few weeks of playing this in the car while running errands. Not just fun for little kids but still interesting for older siblings and parents. No need to mention to your kids that their vocabulary is expanding boundlessly as they sing about rats for lunch and gloopy glopers.

This immensely appealing poetry collection was beloved by my own children, contributing to their mastery of language and love of reading. I bought it as a gift, once again, for expectant parents, along with other children's literature.

We love Mr. Prelutsky's poems. I am giving 3 stars because these poems are more about scary and gross things. I had thought that they would be funny or humorous poems. I did take a look inside this book before buying. But the poems I got to see were not that way. My child read only very few poems and then told me that she wants 'normal' Jack Prelutsky poems!

I ordered this e-book for my kindle fire. The font is too small to read and for some reason this book has a particular setting that it prevents kindle fire from enlarging the font. I have to return the book.

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