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"The illustrations are engaging, the style is light, the project interesting -- and Rufus a believable genius." -- *The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*

"Breezy and fast-moving." -- *The Horn Book*

About the Author

Jean Merrill is the award-winning author of over thirty books for children, including *The Superlative Horse*, *The Black Sheep*, and the wellknown satirical novel *The Pushcart War*.

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