

Judy Sierra



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“My poetry book ideas come from looking at something ordinary in a new way. . . . Needless to say, all of my writing for children is meant to be read aloud. I’m very happy if parents and children make up extra verses for my poems, or adapt my folktales to fit their way of seeing the world.”—*Judy Sierra*

Award-winning author and storyteller Judy Sierra has written over 25 books, including picture books and story collections for children, as well as resources for teachers and librarians.

About the Author

Judy Sierra is the author of many critically acclaimed children's books. A recent collaboration is *Wild About Books*, illustrated by Marc Brown. Sierra, who holds a Ph.D. in folklore from the University of California, Los Angeles, is renowned for her funny and brief retelling of folktales, most recently in the

delightful collection *Silly & Sillier*. She devotes considerable time to storytelling and reading her books to children at schools and libraries, endeavors that help her know exactly what makes children laugh. She lives in Northern California, and is busy teaching hand-clapping rhymes to her granddaughter, Maxine, and helping her grandson, Alden, learn Pat-a-Cake.

Praise for

THELONIUS MONSTER'S SKY-HIGH FLY PIE

★ "Brimming with read-aloud possibilities."—*Kirkus Reviews*, Starred

★ "Enormously appealing, and the layout is perfectly suited to the text and illustrations. A loveable and entertaining work of art."

—*School Library Journal*, Starred

SCHOOLYARD RHYMES:

"This is a definite winner, as it will be enormously popular with children."

—*School Library Journal*

"Kids will enjoy this celebration of naughtiness and childhood fun."

—*The Horn Book*

WILD ABOUT BOOKS:

★ "A winning paean to reading and writing."—*Publishers Weekly*, Starred

★ "A storytime spectacular."

—*Kirkus Reviews*, Starred

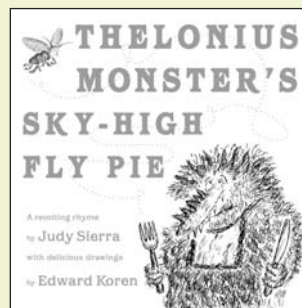
★ "Sierra's text has a wacky verve and enough clever asides and allusions to familiar characters to satisfy bibliophiles of all ages. . . . Brown's cheerful, full-color illustrations . . . are rich in pattern, texture, and nuance."

—*School Library Journal*, Starred

★ "Sierra's handy way with a rhyming text . . . [is] full of images that will amuse children. . . . There are tons of things to look at, all in sunny colors."

—*Booklist*, Starred

Book List



THELONIUS MONSTER'S SKY-HIGH FLY PIE

Illustrated by Edward Koren

Ages 4–8 • Alfred A. Knopf

HC: 978-0-375-83218-5 (0-375-83218-1)

GLB: 978-0-375-93218-2 (0-375-93218-6)

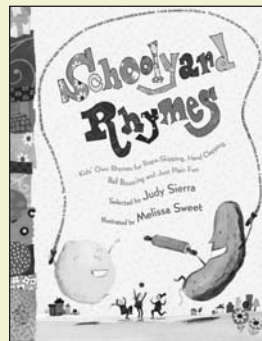
SCHOOLYARD RHYMES

Illustrated by Melissa Sweet

Ages 6–12 • Alfred A. Knopf

HC: 978-375-82516-3 (0-375-82516-9)

GLB: 978-0-375-92516-0 (0-375-92516-3)



WILD ABOUT BOOKS

Illustrated by Marc Brown

Ages 4–8 • Alfred A. Knopf

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GLB: 978-0-375-92538-2 (0-375-92538-4)

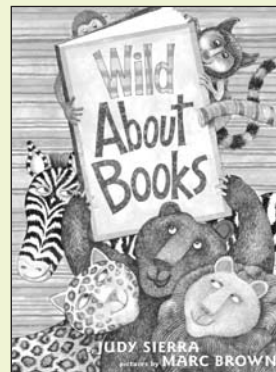
• An ALA Notable Children's Book

• An Irma S. and James H. Black Award Honor Book

• A National Parenting Publications Award Winner

• An E.B. White Read Aloud Award Winner

• A *Booksense* Book of the Year



TASTY BABY BELLY BUTTONS

Illustrated by Meilo So

Ages 5–8 • Alfred A. Knopf

HC: 978-0-679-89369-1 (0-679-89369-5)

• An ALA Notable Children's Book

SILLY & SILLIER

Illustrated by Valeri Gorbachev

Ages 5–8 • Alfred A. Knopf

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GLB: 978-0-375-90609-1 (0-375-90609-6)

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