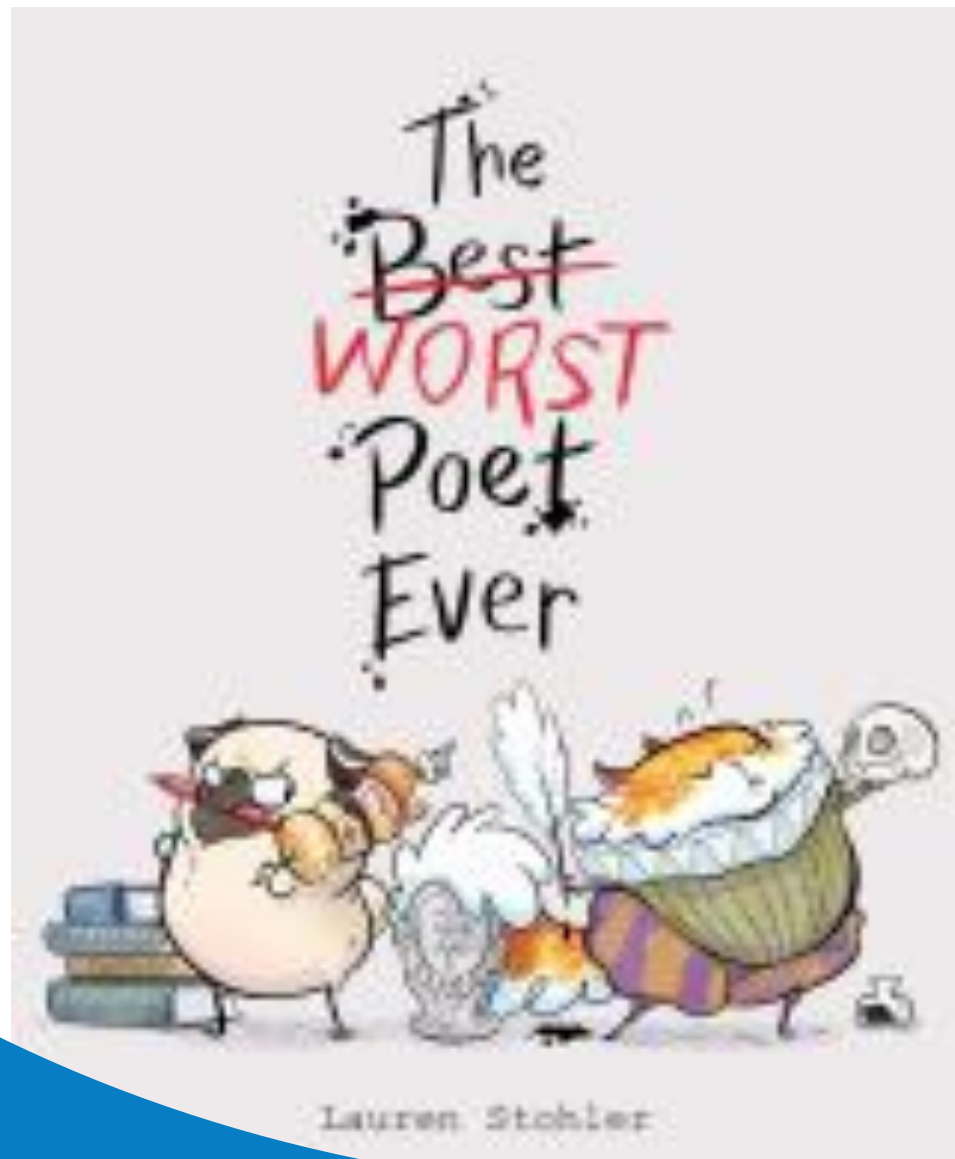


THE ~~BEST~~ WORST POET EVER

by LAUREN STOHLER



**"Who
will
claim the
title of
Best Poet
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Picture Book (Poetry), Preschool - Third Grade

Cat and Pug are rivals. They each believe they are the greatest poet ever and embark on duel to prove it. Cat is sophisticated and snobby. Pug is common and unrefined. Each has a way with words. As they battle, each one tries to outdo the other. Until something interesting happens and the duel turns into less of a battle and more of collaboration.

This playful and clever picture book really packs in a lot of information. Poetic devices such as enjambment and slant rhyme are explained through context clues. Different types of poetry, such as haiku, are demonstrated. The illustrations enrich the text by foreshadowing, such as Cat stealing Pug's underpants, and giving context to things mentioned in the text, such as when Pug refers to Cat as a Monet, Cat is illustrated in the style of Monet. *The Best Worst Poet Ever* is recommended for preschool to third grade, but will appeal to poetry fans of all ages.

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