

Jim Aylesworth



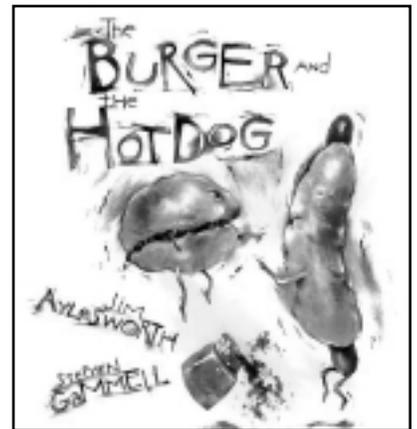
Picture book author Jim Aylesworth tell his stories with generous doses of loud sounds, rhythms, and rhymes. His experiences as a teacher have taught him that these are the elements children like in a story, especially when it is being read aloud.

During his twenty-five years of teaching Aylesworth read hundreds of books to his young students. Aylesworth found himself wanting to be a bigger part of this world of children's stories. Thus, he decided to write his own books, and has stuck with this goal ever since. During his quest to be published he collected many rejection letters. But his students encouraged him and told him to follow his own advice: "Never give up!"

Aylesworth no longer teaches in a classroom, but says, "Writing children's books is my way of being the teacher beyond the walls of my classroom for children that I may never know." Jim and his wife currently live in Chicago, Illinois. When he isn't writing, he speaks to children at schools and book events around the country. Learn more about him at his Web site: www.ayles.com.

Are you really what you eat?

This delightful book describes various food folks as they tease and squeeze and play with each other. A fish stick, bacon strips, and bagels are among the many adorable characters that come to life in this wild and wacky world—where sticky buns are sick of being sticky and a carrot is the lead singer in a band called Veggie Soup. Stephen Gammell's art is over-the-tabletop, with bold, expressive lines and colors, perfectly capturing the emotions of a supermarket-full cast of characters.



The Burger and the Hot Dog

Illustrated by Stephen Gammell
0-689-83897-2 (HC)

Also by Jim Aylesworth

The Completed Hickory Dickory Dock

Illustrated by Eileen Christelow
0-689-71862-4 (PB)

The Full Belly Bowl

Illustrated by Wendy Anderson Halperin
0-689-81033-4 (HC)

My Sister's Rusty Bike

Illustrated by Richard Hull
0-689-31798-0 (HC)

Country Crossing

Illustrated by Ted Rand
0-689-31580-5 (HC)
0-689-71895-0 (PB)

Jim Aylesworth's Book of Bedtime Stories

0-689-82077-1 (HC)

Teddy Bear Tears

Illustrated by
Jo Ellen McAllister-Stammen
0-689-83525-6 (PB)