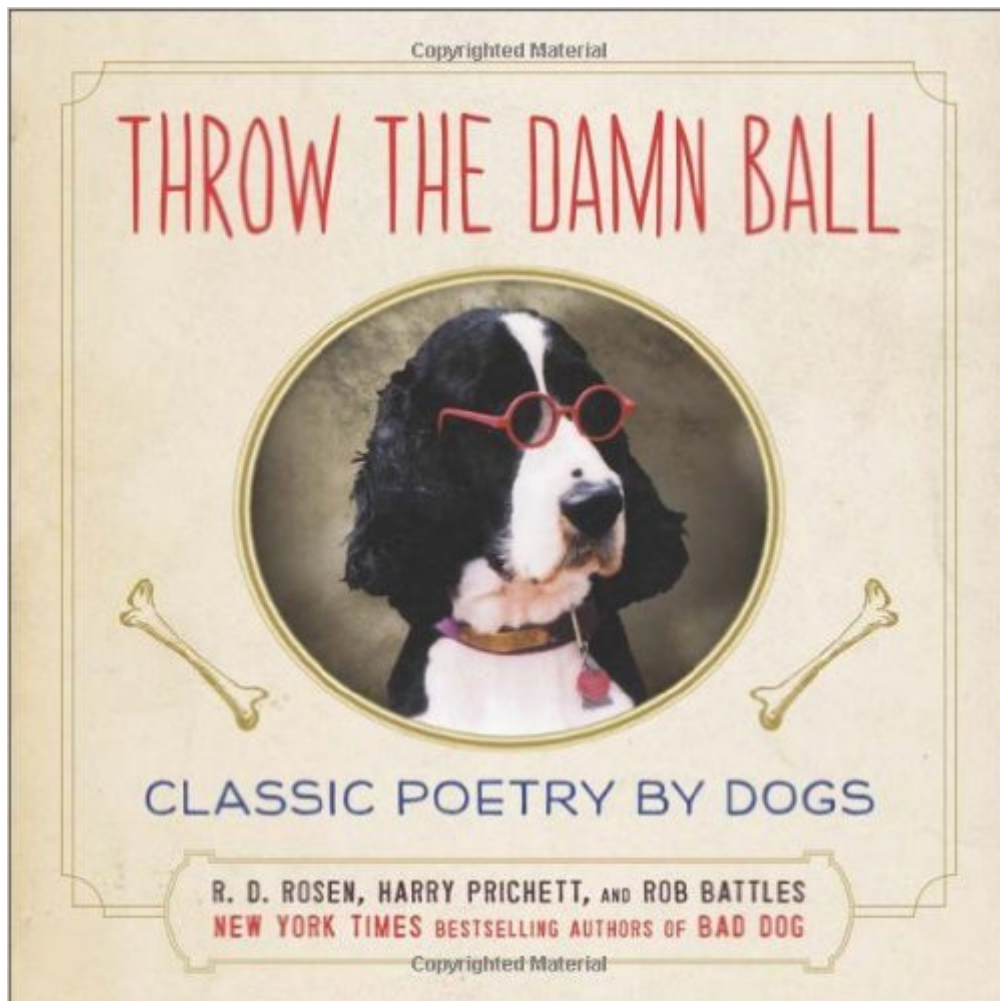


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# Throw The Damn Ball: Classic Poetry By Dogs



## Synopsis

A hilarious collection of poetry by dogs- perfect for lovers of literature and pups alike. Dogs seldom make passes at dogs passing gasses. • Are these the words of Dorothy Parker? Ogden Nash? Nope, the author is Sparky from Milton, Pennsylvania. Sparky, Snowy, Tucker, Louie, these canine laureates have written a volume of poetry displaying the brilliance and wit we've always suspected our dogs were hiding from us. They also, it turns out, revere the human geniuses who came before them, as you'll see with "There Is No Frigate Like A Pavement" - an homage to Emily Dickinson - and "Do Not Go Gentle." • Yes, Dylan Thomas would love it.

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These canine literati craft incredible poems, Of far greater interest than a tome about gnomes. With daring and zeal and an absence of bile, Each breed in the book barks its very own style. Dachshund and sheepdog, boxer and poodle, Poem after poem shows each pet used its noodle. Iambic pentameter, many rhymes and blank verse, While some poems are lengthy, some others are terse. Poets and breeders, dog lovers and owners, There's much wit in the work--and even a boner! This clever collection has doggerel ascending, For its smart canine charm is a Nobel Prize pending.

Throw the Damn Ball is, simply put, a doggone honest, straight from the mouths of dogs, inside look at how these most charming of companions process life. I loved this book. It is creative, thoughtful,

and whether for canine lover or poetry lover or both, it is a pure treat...fetch it, sit with it , it'll stay with you!Bravo...

My fifteen crisp new copies arrived yesterday from . I will be giving these as Christmas gifts to dog-lover friends and family, to poetry lover friends and to friends who love a chuckle and a guffaw. The authors have written some hilarious verses, and the dogs featured are beyond adorable. My favorite canines are Banjo, Barky, Nancy, Fura and Amee--dogs I happen to know through the grapevine of life. The poetry attributed to them fits perfectly--almost as if the authors were taking dictation directly from their doggie-thoughts. Additionally, the book is a beautiful example of graphic design, tastefully elegant, with a clever edge of irony. These dogs ain't such dogs as they think they are! They have been immortalized in image and in poetry.

I was particular taken by the poetry of two writers, Archie and Taco---their imagery and insight both deep and wide. To not be walked, not fed on time, to have to hold it. There is much ontological truth in these "banalities." My life is richer for reading this book.

It makes little difference if you have a dog, used to have a dog, or have never even owned one... this little book is a delight to read for anyone who loves animals. We always wonder what our dogs are thinking... well, this puts voice to our canine friends, big and small. While I enjoyed both the poetry and the humor, the pictures are my particular favorite. What a Hoot!! I have read through mine many times and have been passing it around to friends, but I may have to order another since I haven't seen mine in quite some time now.

This book is quite funny, hilarious in fact. The book is filled with pics of real owners dogs and poems written to accompany those pics. What's not to love with poems on dogs licking their balls as well as being neutered to poems that are sentimental and kind about being a dog owner. Great gift book!

If you love dogs, appreciate and respect dogs, have a dog or know anyone who shares the same this book is for you! Clever, witty writings that reveal what's really going on inside their heads. It's about time dogs have a real voice! Entertaining photos share the page with their poems. A must have book to own or give as a unique gift.

The examples were misleading. I was hoping for a more inspirational book as the examples were

mostly humorous looks at people or life from a dog's point of view and the remaining examples were Zen-ish. I had planned to give it to staffers to help them understand a dog's way of handling life so that they might look at work stress more effectively. Unfortunately, there are a lot more scatological and sexual verses in the book than attitude verses. This was a disappointment. The book is canine centric and does give a good idea of what is really on a dog's mind (food, sleep, play, posting and (if they are still intact) sex) but, again, the 'kid clean' examples were misleading.

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