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I'm Not a Pig in Underpants

Smith, Elwood H.

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Despite being a celebrated illustrator and former art director, Smith's picture book about the identity of its mysterious narrator falls flat. Attempts at humor and intrigue are lost in less-than-appealing plot, peppered with rough rhymes and awkward plot points. While the illustrations are unique, and there is an attempt at a twist in the end, the story fails to inspire much beyond the few laughs the word "underpants" will receive. Early elementary students might find the illustrations funny, and a few new animals are introduced throughout the book, but as a whole, the book does not add much to a school or personal library. Optional.

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