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For my muse, who keeps me from getting too serious.
And to Sue -- for seriously everything! *J.P.*

For Florence *D.R.*

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SERIOUS
Book

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This is a serious book.

Everything in this book is
thoughtful, proper, respectable
and, of course, *very, very* serious.



Nothing silly is allowed.



Here is a list of things not allowed
in a **serious** book:



funny faces,



backflips,



dressing up,



jumping up and down.

And **definitely** no bottom parps.



Excuse me - this means you.
Shhh!