

“THE MESSED-UP RAP”

This rap is a cross between a scavenger hunt and an unscramble puzzle.

I’m Rappin’ Rob and I’m confused,
I gotta puzzle with a lot of clues.
I read about 40 books last night,
But I got ‘em mixed up,
Something’s not quite right.
I’m gonna ask ya please to help straighten ‘em out,
‘Cause I bet ya know books, without a doubt.
Listen carefully now and use your head,
Ready or not, here’s what I read:

Thirteen Ways to Eat Fried Worms
Cloudy with a Chance of Caps for Sale
Millions of Very Hungry Caterpillars
Tales of a Fourth Grade Freckle Juice
The Day Jimmy’s Boa Buzzed in People’s Ears
Horton Hatches Blueberries for Sal
Island of the Blue Jumanji
The Little Engine That Could Wrinkle in Time
A Day No Pigs Would Make Way for Ducklings
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mr. Popper’s Penguins
Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Corduroy
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, Where’s Waldo?
If You Give a Mouse Stone Soup
The Sweet Valley Babysitters Club
Ramona, Plain and Tall
Free to Be...A Boy, A Dog, and a Frog
Nobody Asked Me If I Wanted a Nightmare in My Closet
The Lion, the Witch, and the Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Where the Red Fern, Wild Things, and the Sidewalk Ends
Green Eggs and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Ham

That’s the Messed-Up Rap, now I’ll take a break.
Please straighten these titles, ‘cause they give me an ache.
Then when you’re done with that, I think it would be fun
If you took your two favorite books and messed them into one.
That’s how you do The Messed-Up Rap.
You read a few books and put on your thinkin’ cap.
Mix the words in the title and give a little snap.
Now you got your own little Messed-Up Rap.

The logo for Rob Reid features the name "ROB REID" in a stylized font. "ROB" is in a dark blue, bold, sans-serif font, and "REID" is in a lighter blue, also in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters are stacked vertically, with "ROB" on top and "REID" below it. The logo is enclosed in a red L-shaped border that starts at the top left and goes down and then right.

You can find the key in *Something Funny Happened at the Library*. If you have additions to “The Messed-Up Rap,” send them to me: rob@rapnrob.com.