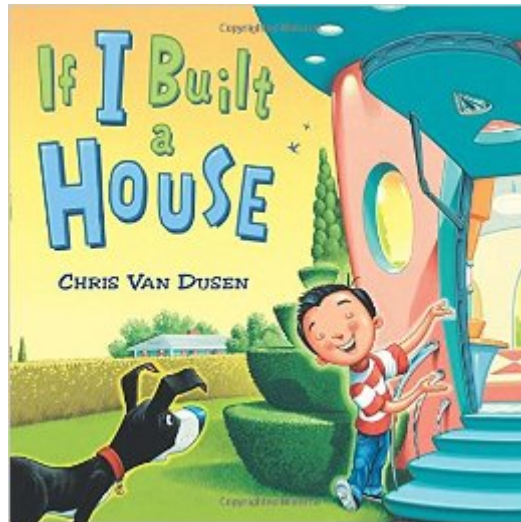


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If I Built A House



Synopsis

The much-anticipated follow-up to the E. B. White Award-winning picture book *If I Built a Car*, imaginative Jack dreamed up a whimsical fantasy ride that could do just about anything. Now he's back and ready to build the house of his dreams, complete with a racetrack, flying room, and gigantic slide. Jack's limitless creativity and infectious enthusiasm will inspire budding young inventors to imagine their own fantastical designs. Chris Van Dusen's vibrant illustrations marry retro appeal with futuristic style as he, once again, gives readers a delightfully rhyming text that absolutely begs to be read aloud.

Book Information

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Average Customer Review: 4.9 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (140 customer reviews)

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Age Range: 3 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

Customer Reviews

Chris Van Dusen is one of the best children's writers out there today. I am a Secondary School English Teacher with a 4 year old daughter. I can't believe how awful most modern day children's books pass as acceptable literature these days (lower the level and theme of literature = lower intelligence). Chris Van Dusen is very different, his writing is exceptionally good. My over all favourite book of his would have to be 'A Camping Spree with Mr Magee', but 'If I Built a House' (which has a slightly higher reading/comprehension level) is a magical tale of dreams, promising aspirations and hope. Great book, definitely a keeper.

My boys (aged 4-10) love all the Chris Van Dusen books and this one did not disappoint. The story and illustrations are hilarious. The kids find something new every time we read it. I would highly recommend this book.

If you liked "If I Built a Car", from the same author, you'll love this book too. It's equally original, illustrated with vivid colors & attention to detail. Kids will love this wildly imaginative story & parents will love how it reminds them of their own childhood. Another instant classic from Chris Van Dusen. (As usual, look for Mr. Magee & his little dog Dee, hiding inside!)

My son James rec'd a copy of this book for his 6th birthday from his "Auntie Cheryl" -and he LOVES it! In fact, he took it in for "show and tell" at school and has been working hard since to design his very own "cool house!" ;-)
We've enjoyed a number of books by Chris Van Dusen over the past few years - from "The Circus Ship" to "If I Built a Car" - clever, colorful and wonderfully imaginative - Van Dusen succeeds in fostering a love of creativity and imagination in his readers - never mind that these books are simply a pleasure to read! ;-)
Highly recommend this author for elementary school-age children!

My kid loves the rhymes and the cadence of this story. This is also one of my favorite stories to read a bed time because the rhymes bring a lot of discussion and we end up chatting about 3-4 times longer than it would otherwise take to just read the book. A definite winner for the bedtime story time.

What imagination and creativity! Van Dusen's "If I Built..." books are delightful. The rhyming and illustrating are excellent, and the tale has my 5 year old trying to built his own super cool houses with his Legos. I'm really plugging for the Kitchen-O-Mat. Wonderful book!

Our family loves the story "If I Built a Car" written and illustrated by Chris Van Dusen, so when we found this book, we had to buy it. Just as with the car book, the graphics (classic 50s style) are great, as is the story, which the whole family enjoys. We are very pleased we bought this book.

This book is so cute and imaginative. My almost 4 year old girl loves reading this with her Architect daddy and talks about what we would go in her dream house. A wonderful Father's Day gift for him to read with our daughter. Would recommend to anyone.

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