

For my friends at the Glen Ridge Library, the kids at Glen Acres School,
and all the librarians and teachers whose joy it is to help us discover
a world of imagination through reading and writing.

—D. K.

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SAM WAS A LIBRARY MOUSE. His home was in a little hole in the wall behind the children's reference books, and he thought that life was very good indeed.



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BIOGRAPHY

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Every day, when the library was full of people walking up and down the aisles, studying, checking out books, and working on the computers, Sam was curled up in his little hole, sound asleep. Every night, when the people went home and the room was dark and quiet, the library belonged to Sam.





And they lived happily ever after.

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Sam's mind was filled with facts and information and images of far-away places, and his imagination brimmed over with wonder and fantasy.



One night Sam decided that it was time he wrote a book of his own!

Sam folded over some little squares of paper he took from the librarian's desk, to make the pages. Then he found a pencil that had rolled underneath a shelf, and he began to write. "Write what you know," Sam had read in a book about writing, so Sam wrote about being a mouse. He drew the pictures for his book by posing in his little mirror and then sketching what he saw.

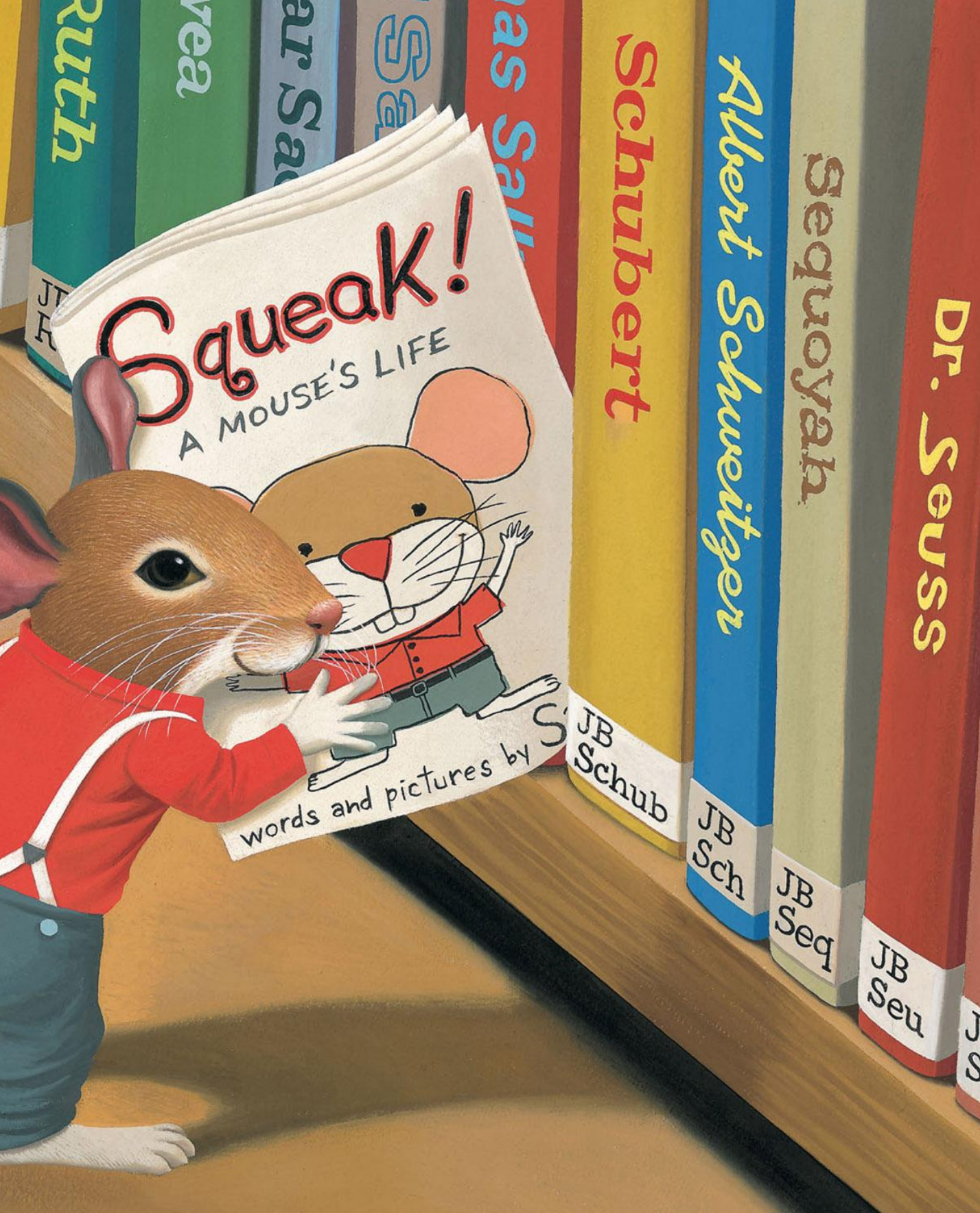






Sam worked very, very hard, and finally his first book was done. He called it *Squeak! A Mouse's Life*, and he wrote on the cover, "words and pictures by Sam." He went to the biography/autobiography section of the library, and he tucked his first book onto the shelf. Then he went back to his little hole in the wall and waited.





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