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## Editorial Review

### Review

“[An] engrossing and satisfying tale.” ?*Publishers Weekly*

“Sure to enchant any child lucky enough to read it...Such an ingratiating, cheery book that no one will be able to resist it.” ?*The Washington Post Book World*

### About the Author

**William Steig** (1907-2003) was a cartoonist, illustrator and author of award-winning books for children, including *Shrek!*, on which the DreamWorks movies are based. Steig was born in New York City. Every member of his family was involved in the arts, and so it was no surprise when he decided to become an artist. He attended City College and the National Academy of Design. In 1930, Steig's work began appearing in *The New Yorker*, where his drawings have been a popular fixture ever since. He published his first children's book, *Roland the Minstrel Pig*, in 1968.

In 1970, Steig received the Caldecott Medal for *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*. His books for children also include *Dominic; The Real Thief; The Amazing Bone*, a Caldecott Honor Book; *Amos & Boris*, a National Book Award finalist; and *Abel's Island* and *Doctor De Soto*, both Newbery Honor Books. Steig's books have also received the Christopher Award, the Irma Simonton Black Award, the William Allen White Children's Book Award, and the American Book Award. His European awards include the Premio di Letteratura per l'infanzia (Italy), the Silver Pencil Award (the Netherlands), and the Prix de la Fondation de France. On the basis of his entire body of work, Steig was selected as the 1982 U.S. candidate for the Hans Christian Andersen Medal for Illustration and subsequently as the 1988 U.S. candidate for Writing.

Steig also published thirteen collections of drawings for adults, beginning with *About People* in 1939, and including *The Lonely Ones*, *Male/Female*, *The Agony in the Kindergarten*, and *Our Miserable Life*.

He died in Boston at the age of 95.

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This superb collection of six Steig stories is beautifully narrated by Meryl Streep and Stanley Tucci, who delight in Steig's quirky characters. Tucci's characterizations are perfect, whether he's Shrek spouting love poetry to the ugly princess or a cackling fortune-telling witch. His quick-witted Dr. DeSoto, mouse dentist, is equally fine, and he has full insight into the wicked fox's nature as well. In *Brave Irene*, Streep's mellifluous voice transforms instantly from the even-toned narrator to the infuriating wind that tortures Irene. In *The Amazing Bone*, Streep tenderly portrays the besotted pig, Pearl, and dazzles as a talking bone that displays its repertoire of languages and sounds. Both Tucci and Streep distill their fine acting ability to pure voice, enhancing this classic collection. J.C.G. Winner of AudioFile Earphones Award, AudioFile Best Audiobook of 2007, 2008 Grammy Nominee © AudioFile 2007, Portland, Maine-- Copyright © AudioFile, Portland, Maine

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#### **Michael Johnson:**

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#### **Jennifer Yost:**

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