" OK, on the count of three we meet our fate, 1, 2, 3!"

3 days before...

Hello, I am Sofia Pickwell the narrator of this treacherous story of utter mystery. I will tell the story of four very good friends named Casey, Madeline, Jeff and Maverick.

You shall now proceed to read.

"Casey, your father and I are going to run some errands," said Casey's mother.

"OK we'll be here, Casey replied. Little did Casey know they would not be "here".

"Guys let's go outside!" yelled Maverick.

"Ya, let's go!" chanted Madeline. As they opened the door a man dressed in pants that didn't quite reach the bottom of his legs and a sweatshirt that said VBV stood on the doorstep.

"Can we help you sir?" Jeff gulped.

"Yes," the voice had such a heavy accent. "I am looking for Mary and Joe Baker."

"Oh that's my mom and dad," replied Casey. "What can we do you for?"

"Could you h-help me with my groceries?" The voice now spoke like an old man.

"Oh sure," spoke Madeline sweetly. Just as the man opened the trunk he shoved the children inside his car and drove away.

"Aah! Help! What are you doing with us?" screamed the children.

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"Shut up you beastly, little things," replied the horrid man. Then the unidentified criminal stopped suddenly and all the children got knocked out of their misery.

"Where are we?" asked Jeff, unsteadily.

"I had a horrible dream that we were captured by a man with terrible style," spoke Casey.

"That was no dream," snickered the man, " and I have great style, I wear clothes by Jovooni."

"I think you mean Jovani," replied Madeline.

"Don't question me child! You are in the VBV warehouse, which is my turf." With that he walked out of the room.

"How will we get out of here?" asked Madeline.

"I think I could pick the lock with a paperclip." Jeff replied.

"I'm sorry to say that the children could not get out with a paperclip because the room had nothing in it! The children looked at their bare surroundings, and wondered what they could be doing if they hadn't been kidnapped by the awful, horrid man.

The next day the children were sitting around when someone that definitely wasn't an awful horrid man came into the room. The children stood up and backed away. "It is OK," the woman had a sweet voice of a nightingale, "it's me, Mary Baker's secret agent."

"Excuse me but can you help us get out of here?" whispered Maverick.

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"Yes, wait until 1:00am, then I will come and get you." Then the figure disappeared. The children were too stunned to talk about the odd event, so they waited until 1:00am.

8 hrs later...

"Don't talk, just follow my instructions," the woman spoke, "go down the hall and pick a door, be wise and choose the right one, or it could be fatal. Good luck children."

Once again the woman disappeared. They gave one another a worried look, then were on their way.

The villain sneered as he said, "one day I'll get revenge on those children's parents. I can't believe that they did..." beep, beep, beep!!!!!!! "Sir the children are escaping!" shouted the villain's assistant.

"Which door will you choose, pick the wrong one and you will lose!!!" spoke a voice out of nowhere.

"Where are you?" yelled Jeff.

"How about instead of standing around we hurry up and pick a door!" yelled Casey.

"That one!" Maverick opened the door and BAM!!!!!!!!! A loud explosion happened.

"Try that one!" Madeline. A large pool of lava awaited them.

"Be careful!" shouted Jeff.

"Everybody calm down." Casey assured them.

"Let's pick that one." Madeline spoke in a calming tone.

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"OK, on the count of three we meet our fate." Jeff spoke in a relaxed voice.

"1,2,3!" the children spoke in unison.

I'm glad to say the children picked the right door. The children ran for a very long time and then finally got home. Their parents were overjoyed to see them. Although this story sounds as though it has a happy ending, the villain was never found. So the next time you are home by yourself, don't offer to help someone, who looks and sounds like a shifty person, unpack their groceries.

The End

The Zombie Invasion

One day 4 people woke up with some guns right beside them. They heard some sounds from outside the house. It sounded like zombies. They picked up the guns and went outside. There were lots of zombies! They loaded their guns and were shooting zombies. When they were done they started heading to town. they found a gas station. The garage was locked. Right behind them they heard. "Turn around." So they turned around. And dropped their guns. Follow me. They followed him to the garage. When he opened the garage there was a lot of people inside there was sick people and hurt people. When they went inside they made a plan to send a helicopter to the city almost all the leaders disagreed They went to a little town to look for a bomb shelter for the sick people. And the hurt people so the four people coach, rochelle, nick and ellis went to the city. Half way there was a hole bunch of zombies. They started shooting and when they were don they went to the city. When they got there they tried to find a hotel when they found one they started to go to the top. When they got to the top they saw a helicopter. It was so close but then the engine blew up and it crash landed into the hotel. It was falling

down and when it was on the ground rochelle got stuck between a wall and a pole. Coach ,nick and ellis tried to get her unstuck but the zombies came so they had to leave her behind. When they looked back she was gone. They went to a radio station and called another helicopter. After they went to another hotel and they waited and waited no chopper. They thought it went to a different hotel so they went to another hotel but when they got down the helicopter just landed on the roof. And when they got up the helicopter was already gone. They went back to the radio station but it was surrounded by zombies. They turned around and went to another radio station to call another chopper but there was no more and they decided to go back. And when they got back there was no more zombies but the radio was broken and they could not call another chopper. It was getting dark out and right beside the radio station was a little shack and in the shack there was a man. The man said bring me a coke and i'll let you in. And they went to find a coke bottle. They found a football field and inside the football field there was a drink stand they went in and searched for a coke and finally they found one in the fridge. They went out of the stand there was a whole group of zombies in the field and the stands. They tried to sneak out of the

court but they heard them and started charging towards them. And right beside them was a golf cart and they ran over them after they drove out to the shelter but it ran out of gas and they had to walk. When they got to the shelter the door was unlocked when they opened it the man was lying on the ground dead. They stocked up on ammo and medical kits and headed out. They were walking to find another radio station. When they found a radio station when they went inside there was a lot of zombies and they were shooting them. After there was no radio inside. They decided to stop the invasion. They went to a science lab to make a cure. At the lab there was already people trying to make a cure. They decided to team up with them and make the cure. After 1 day they finally made the cure. They put it in their amo And went out. They were finally curing everybody but there was only one probley it only last one minute. They went back to the lab to make it last for ever. It took 3 days and they made it to last forever. But well they were celebrating nick knocked it over. SMASH! No. Look what you done. I'm gonna kill you said ellis, yo calm down said coach. We can gust make another one. How we don't have the ingredients. We will have to go and find them. Where are we going to find a bullet. in are guns. Oh ya. But

what about slime? We will have to look around the lab. There hast to be some slime somewhere around here. Found some said ellis oh wait nope. They kept on searching and searching. Then coach found it by a busuca coach picked up the canon and ellis picked up the bucket of slimy and sticky slime. They made the formula and put it in the canon and went curing the zombies but suddenly the canon ran out of ammo. And there was still zombies left. a lot more. They went back into the lab and put the rest of the formula in the rest of the guns and went curing all the rest of the zombies all over the world. It took a few days but it worked. And it was a good thing ellis learnt to fly a plane. Well they were flying to the last state they did not know there was one zombie on the plane. The zombie silently snuck up behind coach and ate him nick did not hear it because he was listening to music and ellis had headphones. And then the zombie ate nick. And after ellis put it on otto pilot saw the zombie and started fighting it ellis knocked into the otto pilot button and the plane started crashing and when the plane crashed they both died and made a HUGE explosion and the world was infested with zombies forever and ever.

The Quest for the Staff of Power

The young Zen Warrior, Mada, of Planet Kaira, awoke from his slumber yawning. Strolling to the top of the Outlook Tower, he wondered if he would ever be sent on a quest. A successful quest would result in him becoming a Zen Master of TigerClan. As he was looking out over the lush green landscape and snow capped mountains, his leader, Grand Master Tiger, came up to him with a worried expression. Mada, who was an orphan, had trained hard as an apprentice under the grandmaster. Mada thought of him as a father. Tiger said some of their spies found out that BearClan and LionClan were going to join to destroy TigerClan. Tiger revealed that there is a treasure called the Staff of Power which could keep the peace. His leader sent Mada on a quest to find it. Mada was given three items to help him in his quest: the ring of invisibility, an energy sword, and a hoverboard. To obtain the Staff of Power, Mada would first have to locate the Stone of Peace and the Stone of Power.

The zoom ship took Mada to planet Xra to retrieve the Stone of Power. Xra was a slimy zorgon infested swamp land. Landing the zoom ship on a small piece of dry land, he put the ring on and discovered that it would not work here because of the dampness. Gliding over the swamp on his hoverboard, a huge zorgon with enormous teeth and long sharp talons attacked him. Mada zig-zagged furiously to avoid being eaten. The zorgon shrieked and lunged at him. Finally with his warrior training he made it past the zorgon and arrived at the entrance of the cave that contained the stone. As Mada was tip toeing through the Death Snare Vines, he sensed the vines were growing. Just before he was able to grab the stone in the dark cave, a fire breathing monster jumped out at him. The hairy monster was purple with blood stained teeth. Quickly pulling his sword out, he shot a burst of light out which blinded the monster, allowing him to

Adam Barkworth, Grade 5, Pacific Way Elementary, The Quest for the Staff of Power escape with the stone. As Mada started leaving the cave with the stone he could tell that the vines had grown. The Death Snare Vines tried to wrap around Mada, but using his energy sword he cut them away. Not wanting to get trapped, Mada ran but the faster he ran the faster the vines grew towards him. He barely escaped. Using the hoverboard, he made it to the zoom ship. Getting on the zoom ship, he made it safely out of there.

Arriving at the ocean planet Diablo, Mada realized that his ring and hoverboard wouldn't work under water. This meant he only had his zoom ship and an energy sword. Luckily for him his zoom ship worked under water. Using his GPS he was able to locate where the Stone of Peace was. Unfortunately, there was a giant, blue, underwater zort with green eyes that could eat his entire ship in one bite! It was bright blue with green eyes, slimy green teeth, was as big as a small house and it was guarding the cave containing the stone! Thinking quickly, Mada used his energy sword to blind the zort, but it didn't. Just before the zort took a bite, Mada used warp, which shot his ship forward. Entering the cave Mada saw the stone. Using the claw to grab the stone, Mada realized that his zoom ship was low on power. Taking the dead battery out, Mada heard a disconcerting sound. The zort was coming! Quickly as possible, Mada took the dead battery out and placed the new one in. Outside the cave the zort was angry and now Mada was trapped in the cave. Using warp, Mada shot past the zort. As he was leaving the cave he shot at the roof of the cave, causing a rockslide which killed the creature. Making it out alive, Mada started to head to the next planet.

Approaching Planet Inferno, melting rocks and fiery tongues of lava, Mada landed on a small patch of dry land close to the Chamber of Magic. The stones glowed as he neared the Staff of Power. Then Mada saw Fluffy, the Guardian of the Staff of Power. Many have died

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because of Fluffy. It was a three headed dog with eyes of a devil. No one had ever made it past Fluffy. Mada realized that his ring could make him invisible. Putting on the ring, Mada silently tip toed past Fluffy. Opening the ancient door to the chamber, Mada quietly walked to the altar. Placing the two stones on the altar, the stones began to spin around together. Spinning faster and faster there was a flash of light and the stones disappeared. There was a noise and the Staff of Power arose from the ground. Grabbing the staff Mada retraced his steps back to the zoom ship. Yeah! Mada had the staff and was ecstatic. He had done it!

Arriving back at Planet Kaira Mada was greeted by the Grand master Tiger. Smiling and happy Tiger gave Mada the purple robe of a Zen Master, and revealed the secret of the Staff of Power. It emits a calming light which makes members of all clans happy and peaceful. To activate the staff Mada placed the staff in a large crystal rock. Whoosh! The Grandmaster in a ceremony explained to Mada and all the clan members, that now Mada was the Guardian of the staff. Only Mada could remove the staff from the crystal. As long as the staff remained in the crystal there would be peace on Planet Kaira.

My Brothers

My name is Rachel Bijl and today I'm going to tell you about my brothers. I am the second oldest of 4 children, and I am the only girl. It has its good things and its bad things.

First, I will tell you some good things about having brothers. When we play together we can come up with some pretty cool things. Like one year, we made a fort. It was awesome!! And together we packed a lot of wood. I may have done a little more watching than working, sorry boys! It was a lot of fun because I got to spend time with my brothers, and I got to learn how to build a fort.

Brothers are very smart when it comes to taking old materials and making them into something new and creative. Last summer my brothers, Austin and Nolan, cut an old bike into pieces using hand saws and hammers; then took the pieces that they needed to create a go-cart. They used the handle bars and front wheel from the bike, and attached 2 smaller tires to some boards. Then they stuck it all together with grit, spit and a whole lot of bolts! They might have said some bad words too, but mom didn't hear us. It was a lot of work but we got it done.

Now, the bad things about having brothers. You don't get to brush their hair or paint their nails; and they tease me a lot!! Have you ever tried playing barbies or dolls with boys?? Believe you me, it does not work. After time picking outfits and making them look nice, brothers come along and rip their clothes right off. Who wants to play with naked barbies??? Brothers are loud, always hyper, and jumping around. They can't sit still for 5 seconds. I like to sit at the table and quietly do my homework, but my brothers

run around laughing their heads off making the most noise they possibly can. It's so frustrating when I'm trying to concentrate. I guess I should tell you a bit about my brothers.

Austin is the oldest. He is the artistic one. He has drawn some amazing pictures. He drew a combine, and it looked so real! Not just a little box with circles, it had all the details and accessories. I bet he could draw a truck or tractor with his eyes closed. He loves to draw equipment as well as landscapes. Austin has often sat outside and just watched the eagles flying by and looking for signs of deer in the mountains across from our house. He loves the outdoors and is very talented. Austin is a bit shy and hates big crowds of people. If he had his choice, he'd always stay home. I love my big brother because he is strong, smart, and helps me.

Nolan is the 3rd child. He has the most energy in our family. He can go from 1-100 in a second, and he cannot sit still!! Sometimes that "energy" is a good thing. Like when I need him on my side when Austin and I are playing soccer or tag. Nolan is always kind and wanting to help. If I'm feeling nervous or sad he will always try to find a way to make me feel better, even if it is wearing underwear on his head. He is a hard worker and is very creative with Lego and clay. He is going to be a great mechanic when he grows up.

Erik is the newest member of our family. He is a baby, so he is not annoying yet. He is so cute. He has chubby cheeks, red hair, blue-green eyes, and little hands and feet. I like to sit and play with him. He has started making cute sounds when I talk to him. Erik is only 3 months old, but can stand on your lap if you help him balance. He is

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small, but he will be a big strong brother one day. I can't wait until he can talk and walk, I might regret saying that one day, but then I can make him do my chores!

These are my brothers. I hope everyone can enjoy having siblings as much as I do.

Sometimes they drive me crazy, but I couldn't live without them. I love them more than anything.

My Neighbor And The Secrets Beyond The Fence

By: Marley Blanken

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"Calling Cane Lake to the front desk please," the announcements ordered.l quickly ran to the front desk.

The lady told me to meet my boss, Mr. Dish in his office. As I walked down the halls of the S.S.S.S.S.A, aka the Super Super Super Secret Spy Agency, I thought of what the boss needed me to do this time... clean the bathroom, plunge the toilet, dust his trophies, wash his car, or something like that. But when I got there Mr. Dish told me I was finally ready for a mission. He said some people on 120 Cold River Drive are becoming very mysterious; he wanted me to check it out. A few minutes later I realized that 120 Cold River Drive was my neighbor's house, but I didn't let that bother me.

At 12:00am I snuck over the fence. But when I got there it smelled like rotting feet. I looked through the back window to see if anyone was awake, and sure enough there was my neighbor stirring a stew in a big pot. I watched him add a hairy spider leg, an old grandmas tooth, snake skin, and a yellow zombie ear. "Last but not least," he screamed, "10 monster eyes, which I left downstairs," he stomped away. While he was

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gone I snuck in the back door and went upstairs. I saw my neighbours wife applying makeup in her room. I saw her put on a pound of blush, 4 pounds and 3 ounces of lipstick, 6 bottles of purple mascara, 6 pounds of eyeshadow, 10 pounds of nail polish, and an entire bottle of foundation. She looked like a deformed donkey smashed together with an alien who got punched in the face by King Kong.

After I went down stairs and peeked into a small crack in the dog door. I saw the dog. It had big fangs like a vampire and rough fur like tree bark. I quickly got away before it saw me.

Next I heard a faint whispering sound. I looked in the box closest to me. There was a bunch of chess pieces laying in there, I picked one up. It had a face on it. I threw it and ran. I started to explore and I found a library. In the library there were some good books, there were some weird books, there were some scary books and some interesting books. I decided to read a weird book to see if it was funny. But when I opened it the book instantly teleported me to an empty room with a door. I opened the door, I saw some

chubby pugs playing poker. I ran out of that room and into another. There were some french fries soaking in coke, which were draining into apple juice, which was draining into a muffin. I ran out of that room and back into the house. I looked in the child's room

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now. The child was listening to heavy metal music and he was only 3 years old. He swung his head up and down wildly while he did the sprinkler to his song.

Then I went downstairs to the basement. In the basement I found a freezer, I looked inside to see a big, rotting foot and some boxes. I looked in the boxes and saw lots of dead crickets and bugs. When I turned around there was a komodo dragon. I ran as fast as my legs would carry me. I jumped the fence and tried to jump in my window, but I tripped and fell down... down... down. When I woke up, I was in my bed with a lump on my head and wondered... had it all been a dream?

Finding Your Inner Beauty

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Anna peered at herself in the mirror, she didn't like what she saw, all that was going through her head was, 'why can't I be pretty like everyone else? I hate myself!"Katrina Justly was the prettiest girl in school, she had it all. All Anna had was her short little legs. Anna always got teased, even though she was one of the nicest girls in school. Every day Anna would come home and cry, but no one cared. Her parents were always at work and she never had anyone to talk to, except for her dog, Lola.

One day Anna was walking Lola to the park to play, they were having a blast! Just the two of them. Anna would throw the ball and Lola would sprint back to get it. Anna accidentally dropped the ball and it rolled into the busy road. Lola ran after it! "No! Lola!" Anna shouted, "come back!" It was too late, and that was the moment that Anna's life changed forever. She lost the only friend that she could ever talk to.

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The next day Anna was walking to school and all that she could think about was Lola and how lonely she was now. It was at that very moment that Katrina Justly walked up to Anna . "O-M-G! Where did you get that ugly no- name brand outfit?" asked Katrina smugly. Anna started to cry, "why do you have to be so mean?" By now everyone was watching Anna, and feeling sorry for her. One brave boy stepped in and said, "don't you know that Anna's dog died yesterday?" "Yeah, so why do you have to be so mean to her?" said a girl standing close by Anna. Pretty soon it seemed like the whole school was tired of Katrina Justly and her bulling. Anna was finally making friends! Anna thought to herself," I guess it doesn't really matter what mean girls like Katrina say because people like me for who I am and most of all I like me. Not for what I look like but just inside and out. From that day on Anna never got teased again, or at least she never let it bother her! The End.

Candy War 1

By Lukas Burt Parkcrest Elementary Grade 5

I never thought and be here sitting writing you a letter saying Lollipop Sargent I need a candy cane spear. While being attacked by an evil gummy bear throwing a slushie tower at me. Now he has started chasing me at full speed over to where all the other evil hungry gummy bears were. One of the evil gummy bears was cooking with a pot another gummy bear chased me into the pot. The pot had all of the food that they had but the pot fell over and crashed and now it was ruined. They looked really mad then because they were starving. This one little gummy bear came along and this gummy bear's face terrified me because he looked like a demon. I started to run and they ALL came running at me. Then the little one threw a GIANT cookie at me. I ran fast as I could! I hid in a Mountain Dew tower but one giant blue gummy bear picked up the Mountain Dew tower with me in it and threw it. Then it ran toward the tower and the blue gummy bear grabbed me out of the crushed tower. But then when one of the red gummy bears came running over to us it tripped on a bag doritos and the giant blue gummy bear holding me dropped me and I ran away as fast as I could.

Then the red gummy bear who had tripped and the giant blue one who dropped me started fighting each other. The others tried to stop them but then I realized the red one who tripped and the giant blue one who grabbed me were leaders. The others did not know what to do. Then the red and blue gummy bears put a break to their brawl to continue later, and came after me again. I turned around to see a chocolate plane. It would be my escape. I ran for it, thankfully the keys were in it. See you soon Lollipop Sargent! Just kidding the gummy bears blew up the plane by using a Mountain Dew rocket launcher. The plane started falling out of the sky and landed on a bag of Doritos. Then I opened the bag and ate some Doritos but then the red and blue gummy bears started chasing me again. I turned around the corner and ran into a tower of chicken. The red and blue gummy bear kicked down the door and ran up the stairs after me. I threw a rubber chicken at the gummy bears then I jumped off the tower of chicken. I ran so fast I made it to Vernon in 21 minutes. The leader of the gummy bears could run fast too. Out of nowhere a yellow gummy bear was shooting me with a chicken launcher. I grabbed one of the chickens and I used my chicken to shoot it back at them. Then a green

gummy bear tried to take me down with a humongous cookie the size of Godzilla. He put down the cookie and ran away from me. I wondered why the gummy bears were running away. Then I saw a huge wave of Mountain Dew! I screamed and ran for my life but I could not make it. The Mountain Dew wave hit me! Thankfully the wave of Mountain was swallowed up by the storm drains.

Some gummy bears came and chased me around. I decided to hide in a Sour Patch Kids bush. I started eating some after a while because I was getting hungry. I thought I was fine hiding in the bush as I had been there for 20 hours. But then a purple gummy bear lifted the bush off me and threw it 20 miles away. I said hi nervously and ran off. A different blue gummy bear had a JETPACK and rode it toward me with a plastic chicken toy. It grabbed me it took me to it's base in a cupcake store. It put me down and tied me up then it put me on a chair and left. In my mind I wondered where's the gummy bear going. Luckily I got my hand free. I untied myself and got out of the cupcake store and hid in toy burger. The burger reminded me I was hungry again. So I went and found a grilled cheese market and

ate 5 grilled cheese. When I first got there was a wanted poster with me on it. I was really scared when I saw the wanted poster. Just then an apple man saw me and screamed for the police. I ran really fast to get out of there. Well I can't go back there ever again.

All of the sudden I heard a woof sound I turned around. I saw some grilled cheese dog who followed me it had no collar on so I kept it. I slept in a chicken box that I made into a bed last night for me and my grilled cheese dog. This morning I was walking around and found a weird portal came out of nowhere. Out of it came the lion from NARNIA! I grabbed my grilled cheese dog and I jumped on the lions back and got away from the evil gummy bears. I was finally safe! I will write again soon Lollipop Sargent.

Amelia Cadwaladr, 5 Hoya George

The Forbidden Forest

Imagine a day at Hogwarts or in a galaxy far, far away. Well this story is nothing like that! This story takes place in New York on a frosty and cold January day.

"Free papers! Get your papers!", yelled the old newspaper man.

"Free paper?" asked the blonde lady.

"Yes", said the newspaper man cheerfully.

"Umm... what's this on the front page?" questioned the blonde lady.

"It's the forest near Brooklyn. It is now forbidden.", whispered the paper man into her ear.

"But...but why? She whispered back.

In a frightening low tone, he replied "Seven police men went into the forest and never came back."

She stared at him, eyes wide, with a look a complete shock on her face.

"Hey... are you okay"? inquired the newspaper man.

"My, my husband is a police man and yesterday he got sent to Brooklyn for a case by the forest and he is supposed to come back today", she said in tears.

"Oh I'm sure he's fine. There were probably 15 men on the case"

"Yeah, maybe he's okay" she mumbled.

"What's your name? Mine's Mike", the old man said.

"It's Heather" she replied as she rubbed away the tears away.

"Heather, I'm sure your husband's fine.

For the rest of the week Mike hoped he'd see Heather so that he could find out what had happened. But each day, she was nowhere to be found. Finally, about 2 weeks later Mike saw Heather in a cab.

"Heather! Hey! Heather! Where are you going?" Mike yelled.

Heather didn't notice him until he practically jumped in front of the taxi.

"Oh, Mike." Heather whispered, startled.

"Hey, do you mind pulling over?" Heather asked the cab driver.

Hardly waiting for the car to stop, Mike jumped into her cab. "Where are we going?" he asked.

"Well, I was heading to Brooklyn. It's been two weeks and I haven't heard a thing."

"What? No it's not safe", exclaimed Mike, as if he was her father.

"He's my husband and I want to see if he's okay", Heather whined, like a teenager.

"Fine! Go ahead but I'm not going there. I don't feel like dying yet", said mike.

"So, do you want me to pull over?", asked the cab driver

"Yes!", said Mike with attitude.

Mike had just jumped out of the cab when Heather got a call from her husband's boss.

"Hello. George? Have you found him?"

"Your husband is in the forbidden forest but we have a tracker on him and he alive", said George so serious

"Oh, thank god! That's great news.", heather said.

"But he could die any minute", he said.

"Right, bye", said Heather slowly.

"Are you still going to Brooklyn?", questioned the cab driver.

"Yes, to the forest", replied Heather.

After about an hour the taxi stopped as it came to a road block outside the Forbidden Forest. Heather jumped out of the cab and ran to directly over to where George was standing.

She told him, "I have two questions for you: what is this case all about and is he still alive?"

"Well, the case is about a missing family that was camped in the forest and we haven't found them yet. And Hank is still alive", replied George.

"Well I haven't seen him in almost 15 days so I'm going see him", said Heather. Then ran into the woods.

HEATHER! STOP! George yelled after her. He then turned to the other officers and yelled: Go get her, fast!!

"Yes, sir!", said one of the policeman he sent.

"Hank? Hank? Where are you?", Heather screamed in an exhausted voice.

The three men George sent were on her tail, but she still kept running and tried her best to dodge them. "Heather! This forest is too dangerous!", one of them called after her.

She stopped and took a deep breath. "No!" she whined. Then took another breath to calm down. "Dave, Jackson, Robert have you ever lost something more important to you than anything else in the world? Is your wife about to die at this very moment?" she said.

After the forest, Hank and Robert went to the hospital because of their injuries. Both of them recovered well but Hank did need a cast on his arm for 4 months. Hank and Heather saw Mike every day. Robert, Dave and Jackson became heroes to the force and Heather is now captain of the force.

THE END!!!

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<u>Danger</u>

The young deer so small

Trots through the dark woods so large

With no fear at all

Not aware lurking danger

The wolf just around the bend

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Nature vs Civilization

Nature

Quiet Untouched

Chirping Rustling Enchanting

Trees Animals People Vehicles

Building Rushing Towering

Loud Destroyed

Civilization

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Aloha Crime

It was a warm sunny day in Makaha, Hawaii, Sophie was on her way to the police station with her dog Coconut. Coconut was a five year old trained police dog. When they had arrived inside they were notified of two missing kids and four missing adults. Sophie was shocked because there had been a lot of missing people that week but, especially that day.

"We have to act fast," remarked Sophie. One of Sophie's co-workers pressed the search and rescue button and a siren went off repeating, "Activate Search and Rescue Team". Ten police officers joined Sophie on the mission. They got in five different cars and were off.

They pulled into the parking lot of Makaha Beach Park where the two children, Madison and Bailey McNevi, were last seen.

When Madison and Bailey's parents showed up, Sophie had to show her badge and recite her catchphrase, "The name's, Weatherman, Sophie Weatherman". They talked for awhile so Sophie could collect data on the kids. When she had enough information she shared it with the rest of the officers. They decided to call the underwater Search and Recovery team to the sight. They waited about fifteen minutes until the rescue team arrived. They got in the water right away.

The underwater team looked for hours and couldn't find the kids. They climbed back up on the ship and were about to call off the mission for the day when they heard a faint scream in the background. "HELP!, HELP! Anyone, please, HELP!"

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That made them think twice about calling off the mission. The captain turned the ship around and moved very slowly towards the scream. He didn't want to propel over them.

The rescuers spotted shadows that were too small to be sharks and too big to be any other fish. Then he appeared, Bailey was trying to keep Madison up above the water. The rescue boat came alongside the children. Bailey wouldn't get on the boat because his sister would drown if he let go. He informed the water team that his sister had seaweed wrapped around her ankle. He had been trying to keep her afloat for what seemed like an hour. Madison's foot was going numb and Bailey was dreadfully tired. One of the officers on the case found a pocket knife in the first aid kit. "KAPLOOSH!" He jumped in the water. He swam as fast as he possibly could towards Madison.

The officer went under and cut the seaweed from Madison's ankle, but it was too late. Her foot was black and blue.

The rescue team got the two kids into the boat and brought them back to shore. Mr. and Mrs. McNevi were so excited to see their kids but, they didn't see Madison for long because she was rushed to the hospital. They flew to Bunker Hill Hospital which is the best hospital in the world.

After the doctors looked at Madison's ankle they decided to amputate. Madison was not looking forward to that because she was a dancer and gymnast. The surgery would ruin her chances of becoming a professional gymnast.

The parents and Bailey were brought into a different room during the surgery. The surgery went a couple of hours and then Madison was left to sleep.

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Madison began screaming at the top of her lungs. She was back in the water with the seaweed but, this time her brother was not there. Madison was drowning and she couldn't get out of the water. She was running out of oxygen when suddenly she awoke from the nightmare. Madison was huffing and puffing then realized it was just a nightmare. Her parents came in and were so happy to see her and know that she was okay. The doctors advised the McNevi family that they had been working on a new prosthetic that they thought would be good for Madison. Madison jumped right on that offer because she knew that eventually she would be able to take gymnastics and dance again.

After one week of Madison being in a wheelchair at the hospital the prosthetic leg was finally ready for her. Madison put it on right away. The nurse warned her that walking with it would take practice, so not to expect it to go perfectly the first time.

Madison stood up and just as the nurse warned her it was very hard to walk.

Madison fell, but her loving brother was right there to help her up. She was determined to get it down pat and she did. It took a long time, but she figured it out.

When Madison was released she went to her dance studio to see her friends. She walked into the studio and people were cheering.

"Madison youre back!"

"We missed you Madi!"

"Madison! You are okay!"

Madison was happy to see everyone, but she didn't stay for long because it made her too sad not being able to dance with them.

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Later Madison went to gymnastics. When she went in, her friends were even more excited to see her. They didn't know that Madison got her foot amputated. They were devastated because Madison was their best gymnast and they had a big competition coming up.

"I'll be okay and back to gymnastics in no time!" exclaimed Madison.

"We know you will," stated Madison's teacher.

"Take your time and get better," one girl encouraged. Madison watched her friends practice for a while and then left to go home with her mom.

A couple days later Madison watched her friends at competition. When the first girl went up from Madison's group she cheered the loudest out of everyone there. She cheered even louder every time one of her friends came up. Madison was so proud of them! They came in first place, without Madison, even when they doubted their capabilities. The whole team ran up to Madison. The team knew that Madison would be back with them soon. The future looked bright for everyone!

The Other Dimension

Chapter 1

It was a nice day at school. The sun was shining and the sky was blue. It sucked that we had to stay inside. My name is Riley by the way. My best friend is Kieran. We both love math. We want to make a portal using computer parts. We have worked on it for a couple of weeks and have gotten nowhere. But this week we will make some progress. I just know it!

Chapter 2

"We've been doing this for a while now" said Kieran.

"I know but we can't give up" said Riley.

"This is terrible, we can't find fresh computer parts" said Kieran. "I know someone has done it before but it took him years. He was 10 years old like us and was 78 when he finished".

"Yeah but I still think we can make the portal at a young age"said Riley. "I think that we should ask some people for tips".

"No,no,no we can't do that. This project is secret-we didn't even tell our parents,"said Kieran. "Wait,I have an idea!".

Chapter 3

"How much money do you have?" said Kieran.

"2000 dollars" said Riley.

"I have 2000 dollars as well" said Kieran. "Let's buy a new computer and take apart".

"Do you think that we have enough money?" said Riley.

"Of course we do" said Kieran. "Let's do it".

"The store is close by so we can walk there," said Riley. "Where do you think the portal will go once it works?".

"I don't know but probably to a different dimension" said Kieran.

Chapter 4

"It's getting late" said Riley. "We should get some sleep".

"Yeah" said Kieran. "We can work on the portal tomorrow".

"See you tomorrow" said Riley.

"Bye" said Kieran.

"Let's take this computer apart" said Riley. "Wow! there are a lot of computer parts in this computer" said Kieran.

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"Yeah" said Riley. "Okay the last piece". Click. "Whoa, the portal is sparking like crazy" said Riley. But suddenly the sparking stopped.

Chapter 5

"Whoa, the portal looks like it is leading to another earth" said Kieran. "Maybe it is leading to another dimension" said Riley.

"Should we go?" said Kieran.

"I don't know,but we did it at a young age" said Riley.

"Yeah" said Kieran.

"Let's go" said Riley. "Whoa, this place looks like an alien planet".

"But everything looks like our earth" said Kieran. "I think that this is the other dimension that we learned in history". "I wonder if any aliens live here".

"Probably, there is a lot of alien looking tech here" said Riley. "Should we look around and investigate?".

"Yes but we have to be careful" said Kieran.

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Chapter 6

After a while of investigating something bad happened fast.

"Uh, Kieran?" said Riley.

"What?" said Kieran.

"I think that we have been spotted!" said Riley.

"Where?" said Kieran.

"Look up" said Riley.

"Run!" said Kieran.

"Huff,huff,they look pretty much like an alien so we got that right" said Riley.

"We have to find shelter from those plasma cannon thingies" said Kieran.

"We should try to get to the portal" said Riley. "Quick,run as fast as you can to the portal!". "There's the portal!" said Kieran. "Oh no, the alien's destroyed the portal!" said Riley.

"What are we going to do now?" said Kieran.

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FOOTBALL DREAMER

CHAPTER ONE

"Down set hut," called out Ben Roethlisberger, the Pittsburgh Steelers' quarterback.

University of Alabama Freshmen Isaac Perry, Michael Palmer and Tory Gardner were sitting in the stands of Heinz Field, the Pittsburgh Steelers' stadium. "This is the best game ever," said Tory.

"Yah. I can't believe we are in the stands watching it," said Isaac. "Of course it's a good game. It's the Steelers and the Ravens. They have a long-time rivalry."

"Yes! Big Ben just hit Antonio Brown with a perfect back shoulder pass for a gain of 56 yards. Now it is first and goal on the 8 yard line," said Michael.

"Touchdown!" screamed the commentator. "It's only 21-14 Ravens. But now what are they going to do now? There is only 1:42 seconds left on the clock with 1 timeout remaining?"

"An onside kick, that's what they are going to do," Isaac answered the commentator.

"What?" asked Tory.

"An onside kick, that's what they are going to do," said Isaac.

"Oh," said Tory. "How did you know that?"

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"Because I'm a big fan of football," replied Isaac. "Plus it's the only thing they can do."

CHAPTER TWO

"They won, they won, they actually won. I can't believe it," raved Isaac. "Someday I want to play for the Pittsburgh Steelers."

"Me too," said Tory.

"Me three," said Michael, "That would be really cool."

CHAPTER THREE

"This is the CHAMPIONSHIP GAME, FOLKS!" yelled Alabama Crimson Tide Coach Fred Simpson. "Have we been working all year just to LOSE?"

"NO!" the team yelled.

"So let's go out there and DESTROY THE BUCKEYES!"

"YAH!"

"Bama on three - ONE, TWO, THREE," screamed Isaac, now a senior wide receiver and captain.

"BAMA!" yelled the team.

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"Hey Coach, we kick off the first half," said Isaac.

"Great. Special teams defence get out there," called Coach Simpson.

CHAPTER FOUR

The Buckeyes were leading 42-14 after half time. Alabama had just lost its starting

running back, Tory Gardner, to a broken arm.

"Down set hut hut," yelled Michael, the Alabama quarterback. He slapped his thigh

twice. Isaac got the signal. Isaac ran straight forward, cut back, stopped, and then ran

diagonally towards the left. Michael launched a bomb of a throw downfield to Isaac. He

dove and caught the pass for a 76 yard gain, putting the Crimson Tide on the 8 yard line.

"Touchdown 'Bama!" yelled the commentator over the microphone. "That'll put 'em

within 21 points of the Buckeyes with almost the entire half to go."

After two more touchdowns by Alabama, they were only down 42-35. With a minute and

three seconds left in the game, the Buckeyes had the ball on the 4 yard line on second and

goal. The Buckeye quarterback Jared Sawyer III was lined up in the shotgun formation.

That meant he would most likely throw the ball. When he yelled "hut" the first time,

Buckeye running back Terrell Warner ran to a spot beside their tight end. Sawyer III

screamed "hut" once more and the play started.

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Sawyer III dodged two sack attempts before throwing towards Warner, but the throw didn't make it because 'Bama cornerback Joshua Wendell read the play perfectly. He swooped in and nabbed the ball in his outstretched hand before getting nailed by a Buckeyes' wide receiver in the end zone for a touchback. That brought the ball out to the 25 yard line. But now with only 44 seconds remaining, the Crimson Tide had to bring the ball up the field 75 yards for the touchdown.

Three plays later... "TIME!" screamed Coach Simpson.

"Alabama has called a 30 second timeout" boomed the official. Coach Simpson whispered the play to Isaac who ran out on to the field to tell Michael.

"Down. Set. Hut hut!" yelled Michael after calling out LP4, the name of the play they were using. Michael faked the handoff to their back up running back, James Garrett, and instead spun around and handed it off to a streaking Derek Walker. Derek stopped and threw the ball to Isaac who turned, spun away from the Buckeyes' defensive end, hurdled their safety and cut around their cornerback.

By this time, the clock was at zero and all of the Buckeyes were after Isaac. He faked the lateral to Garrett and kept on running. He was on the Buckeye 28 yard line when an opposing player dove and grabbed his leg, slowing him down a lot. Other Buckeyes were gaining on him. Finally Isaac broke free, but a Buckeyes' linebacker caught up and tried to jumped on his back. Isaac just managed to make him miss.

Then the commentator screamed "He's going, going, gone. Touchdown! But now, down by one, will they kick the extra point or go for a two-point conversion?"

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CHAPTER FIVE

There was a dog pile on Isaac after he scored the touchdown. Then the team rushed to

the two yard line to set up for the next play.

"Simpson is being brave, going for a two point conversion here, folks. If 'Bama fails,

they'll lose, but if they can convert, then this is probably going into the record books.

Now let's get going."

Michael went over to tight end Jeff Flaherty and pretended talk to him. Garrett had lined-

up right behind Michael and now yelled "Hut" and caught the snap. He started running

forward, but then, as they piled the middle to stop the run, Garrett did a little chip pass to

Michael in the end zone.

"They win! They win! I can't remember this kind of thing ever happening in college

sports!" yelled the commentator.

CHAPTER SIX

"Too bad Tory can't be here because of his arm. I wonder if Michael will get picked

before or after me. I really hope I'll get picked by the Steelers," Isaac rambled quietly to

himself while sitting at the NFL Draft.

"And with the 28th overall pick in the 2017 NFL Draft, the Pittsburgh Steelers select wide

receiver out of the University of Alabama, Isaac Perry!"

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It was dark and cold and Zane was hungry. As he walked lightning flashed overhead.

Zane found a small willow tree to sleep under. It protected him mostly from the rain.

Tired, Zane fell asleep right away.

When he woke, Zane was not under the willow. He was in a metal crate. There was only one window, a very small window from Zane's perspective. He slammed himself into the wall.

"I wouldn't do that if I were you," a rough voice sounded from behind.

"Who are you?" said Zane.

"I am General Saper." "Well General Saper, let me go!" shouted Zane. "I'm afraid that won't be possible," said the General.

"Why? Why won't that be possible?"

"Because you are in danger and until you have learned to control your powers"...

"What powers?" Zane said.

"You can't fool me, playing stupid," said the General.

Zane was starting to think this guy was crazy. "Who are you exactly?"

"I am General Saper, trainer of all wizards and witches of the five elements."

"You're kidding right?" said Zane.

"Nope, sadly I'm not kidding!" replied the General. "Okay," said Zane trying to play along. "Then what element am I then?"

"Well you are the ice element" said General Saper. "Oh really? How can you be so sure what element! am?"

General Saper paused and looked down at Zane's feet. Zane looked down at his feet.

There was ice all around under Zane's feet.

"Oh!" said Zane. "How did that get there?"

"Your aura did it," said the General.

"Now I'm really confused. What aura?" said Zane. Zane was completely freaked out and not sure what to do. "Okay can I meet the other people?" said Zane.

"Okay follow me," said General Saper. The door opened and Zane ran as fast as he could. Zane didn't care where he went he just wanted to get away from that crazy General.

"Stop right there!" yelled the General.

Zane skidded to a halt. Panicked, Zane dashed in the other direction. But General Saper was too fast for Zane. The General grabbed Zane by the neck.

"Awe," moaned Zane.

"Come walk with me. I need to explain how your ora works," said the General.

"Okay," said Zane.

"Your aura is a like a second life with an element. Your element is ice. There are five elements. Earth, fire, water, ice and wind," said the General.

Zane and the General passed through a stone arch which led to a small room. The room looked like it was ancient and old. In the room there were three people. One was throwing fire balls at practice dummies and burning them too the ground. Another person was making tornados and destroying rock statues. The third person was meditating and rocks were rising out of the ground beside him.

"This is the hall of elements. Where the great masters train. So far we have found only four masters. Ice, Fire, Earth and Wind," said the General. As soon as the General finished speaking the other masters came and sat in front and stared at Zane. This made Zane feel uncomfortable.

"Who is this?" they all said together at the same time. Which made Zane feel even more uncomfortable. "Is he new?" said one of them.

"Yes he is," said the General.

"What's his aura?" said another. Zane was caught off guard by this question and afraid to make a mistake. "Ice," Zane replied shyly. Suddenly the floor shook. The General ran to the control room. The other masters ran out of the room. Zane followed slowly but kept them in sight. He followed the masters to a large room with a broken wall. On the other side of the broken wall there was a giant spider like creature. Its upper half was human. His fingers had nails the size of a car. On the giant spider's head where four horns and blood red eyes. And where he was supposed to have two human legs he had eight spider legs. The Masters automatically started using their powers to fight the spider. The fire master started throwing fire balls. The earth master took giant rocks out

of the earth and threw them with his hands at the giant spider monster. The wind master made mini tornadoes and pushed them towards the giant spider monster. The spider monster deflected it all easily. This made Zane scared.

Suddenly Zane heard one of the masters yell, "Zane we need help!"

Zane was confused. What could he do? "What can I do to help," said Zane bravely as he rushed to the masters' sides.

"Use your ice powers," one of the masters replied.

Suddenly, Zane felt a rush of wind and looked up to see a giant ball of red fire rushing over his head. The ball of red fire hit all of the masters, knocking them out cold. Anger rushed through Zane's body. Zane lifted his hand and ice shot out of it. The ice soared through the air. The spider monster prepared to throw a ball of flaming red fire. It launched his ball of fire at Zane's ice. Zane thought that his ice would just break and fall to the floor. Surprisingly, Zane's ice split and went around the fire ball hitting the spider monster square in the chest. The ice covered the monster in seconds and froze him solid. The monster stood there covered in ice unable to move. The giant spider monster was defeated.

Zane rushed to the master's side. "Are you okay?" Zane said with a worried tone. The General came to Zane's side. "Will they be okay?" asked Zane.

"They will be okay, but for now we need to prepare for a great journey to find our fifth partner, the one who possesses the water aura," said the General. Zane and the

General helped the fallen masters get to their feet and all together they set off to find their missing member.

infected

It was a cold, quiet morning on the desert. The cacti were as still as a rock and the white sand would move now and then. Laura's cabin was out in the middle of nowhere. Her alarm clock banged 5 times which meant it was five o'clock in the morning. Why she woke up this early she didn't know but waking up that early made her feel ready for the day to come. She sat up in her bed only to see her breath in the cold air. She had goose bumps on her arms from the cold air and her hair felt frozen. Her bed only had one sheet and that's why she wasn't that warm. Then the radio came on and the reporter didn't sound mad or sad just emotionless, as if he woke up on the wrong side of his bed. The reporter told everyone not to be scared, but something bad was happening.

Then Laura's phone rang so she rushed to the phone and picked it up. It was silent. It only sounded like there was a lot of wind there. She sat the phone down and walked back to her bedroom, got dressed and had breakfast. Her breakfast consisted of out-of-date oatmeal, a carrot that was rock solid and two vitamins that tasted like goo. Then the phone rang again, however this time she didn't pick it up. Strangely though, as soon as the call ended they would just phone back again. She finally picked it up and told whoever was there to stop calling her or else. She wasn't actually going to do anything but Laura wanted to express her frustration. She put the phone back in the receiver and waited to see If she or he phoned again. No one phoned. Thankfully.

Two hours later she heard the phone ring again. This time she picked it up and carefully listened. The words were scratchy but whoever was phoning her wanted to make it quick, easy and fast. The voice on the phone told her to go to 29th street as fast as she could. Laura was starving and was not ready to leave the house but still she did. She dragged herself out the door and tried to put a smile on her face. She got there finally and sat down on an old, broken, crumbling bench and proceeded to play with her fingers making weird shapes. Then she felt a tug on the back of her shirt. She turned around and saw a tall girl standing there. The girl told her her name was Rose. She also told her that they had no time and had to be off. Laura knew where she was going - to see what was the problem that the reporter had talked about.

They went to a weird laboratory in the middle of nowhere. As soon as they got there, a girl told them to hurry to the space ship. Twenty minutes had past and finally they were loaded onto the space ship. Then they were sent into space. Rose gave the rundown of why and what was happening. She told Laura that she was chosen because her mother was was an astronaut and before she disappeared signed a document that told that if she was gone, her daughter would do it for her. What was happening was that a satellite was infected and they needed to break it before it sent powerful beams down to earth. Laura was astonished of what Rose just said to her.

An hour past and Laura heard Rose call her. Laura walked gracefully up and was overwhelmed with how big the satellite was. Rose pressed a button which sent a blue beam which exploded the satellite. Pieces of the satellite went everywhere even toward the

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space ship. Two pieces of satellite hit the south end of the spaceship and the only one to fix it was Laura. So Laura got on space gear and went into the emptiness called space.

She had three main tools - a hammer, wrench and a crowbar. Suddenly she felt a massive tug on her and felt nothing under her feet. She turned around and saw a massive black hole. She tried to scream but nothing came out, just a slight yelp. The tugging got worse and heat was filling her suit. Then she felt dripping not from her eyes but from her face. It was melting. She heard cracking and felt pain everywhere in her body. She couldn't move anything. Her bones were breaking. Then she saw bright lights and an enormous space ship basically came out of nowhere. A metal arm came out from the ship, grabbed Laura and pulled her inside. She was being asked about what happened, was she ok and was she hurt. She was rushed into a room and someone laid a cold blanket on her. She was then rushed back down to Earth and into the closest hospital. She was awoken by the nurse which gave her medicine and she put on the radio. Then the nurse left. Laura was listening to the radio when the same reporter came on and told everybody that another satellite was infected.

Grace and Kaija, two twin girls, rushed towards Dojo's apartment. Dojo was the only boy in

their school who lived near Kaija and Grace. As they knocked on the door of the apartment,

the girls heard Dojo shuffle down the short hallway.

Dojo was the kid who had attempted to dye his hair black with coffee, or red with hot

sauce. The kind that wasn't trying to get good grades, but ended up with them anyway. The

kind with a funky, feisty, personality. Dojo is not his real name, of course. It's Ethan, but ever

since he started taking martial arts, he fell in love with ninjas. All of his friends made up

ninja names, and his was Dojo. It stuck.

Dojo casually opened the door not expecting there to be two smart and sporty girls from his

class. "Um...Hey?" Dojo sputtered awkwardly. He felt so odd talking to them outside of

class. They told him he was supposed to meet them on the 13th floor at the main elevator.

Dojo's stomach turned into a ball of knots. He groaned for what felt like an hour until Grace

chirped about all the mistakes Dojo made earlier today. "Why? Don't tell me It's the

Haunted Elevator?" Dojo replied mysteriously weakly. The truth is, Dojo, the bravest,

fastest, kid in the class was scared of the elevator.

The Haunted Elevator is a brand new elevator near the east wing of the apartment. If you

get on the elevator on the 13th floor, your head, big or small, will be chopped off by the

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door. If you survive that terror, the elevator will drop into the ground. Never ever to be seen

again!

Grace thought she could live through the "worst". She doesn't believe in scary stories and

legends. She came to prove it by going on the elevator. Kaija on the other hand, is a little

worried of what others think about her opinion. She won't say her inner thoughts. Even

though Kaija hates ghost stories she truly wants to go on the elevator. "Let's go now Dojo!

Please?" pleaded the girls. They stretched out the O in now which made now sound like

nooooooooow and stretched out the EA in please which made please sound like

pa-leeeeeaaaaaase.

Dojo stared at the pom-poms on Kaija's bright pink sneakers. He did say he would meet

them after all. Not just Grace and Kaija, but afterwards his friend B.B., (that stands for black

belt. B.B. is one of the former ninjas) Joseph, Amy, T.J. and the list goes on. "Fine," he

stammered. Dojo worked his courage up to go and backing out would be one rocky road.

Just like a hole in your pants, the more you pick at it, the harder it is to fix. He left the door

ajar as he strolled down the hallway reluctantly. Dojo's head was full of emotions and

thoughts. Would he die? Would his head be chopped off? Why did he agree with those

crazy girls?

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Anger and fear bubbled up inside him. He pretty much screamed at the twin girls to take

the stairs. They quarrelled about climbing 5 flights of stairs, but like normal, he relented. In

the end they agreed about the choice. The main elevator is much closer to the west wing

than the east wing so it felt like that hike Dojo took when he was four. It was a simple nature

walk but for four-year-old Dojo, it was a hike.

"Ta-da Dojo! Your BFH is here!" Grace giggled when they arrived at the naunted elevator ϕ

the 13th floor. It didn't look haunted at all. Sleek silver doors, marble walls, and tiny lights at

the top. Dojo sped through the doors quicker than lightning, gripped the bar inside so hard

that he turned firetruck-red. My head fell off. I won't see the world again. I'm underground

1,000,000 feet. All those thoughts constantly danced in Dojo's mind. He was concentrating

so hard on those three thoughts he couldn't hear the laughter coming from Grace and Kaija.

"Ethan Mathew Johnson! We are at the bottom. We have been waiting forever, you scaredy

cat!" exclaimed Kaija, and Grace was busy laughing. "Oops guys" Dojo quietly replied.

After he confessed his fear, they all got ice cream. Dojo announced with a drop of root beer

ice cream on his cheek, "Success tastes even better with ice cream." They all agreed.

When the School Bell Rings

Brrrrrrring! I hear the school bell ring just as I close my textbook. My entire class closes theirs too, and start putting away their books and heading their way out the door for their next classes.

"Ahem, Miss Tulip, may I speak with you for a moment?" my teacher, Mrs. Claris, asks me. Tulip is my last name. My first name is Veronica.

"Yes?" I call in a meek voice. I couldn't possibly be in trouble! I'm a bright student! Shy, but bright. I stumble over to her desk.

"Miss Tulip, I'm proud to say that you have been invited to attend your last year of learning and school at Boston University. Your grades are too high to stay here, at Harvey University. You would have to leave this University, here in Toronto, and move to the States, but this is a huge opportunity," Mrs. Claris tells me with a proud look on her face. "Do you accept?"

I don't know what to say! "Can I h-have a d-day t-to think a-about it?" I stammer in the most enthusiastic voice I can manage. Of course I'm proud and all, but it must be a mistake! Sure, I know a couple things here and there, but to make it to Boston! Only complete geniuses go to Boston University! Me, a genius?! No!

Mrs. Claris gives me a paper with some information about transferring universities. "Give this to your parents, and then scurry off to your next class or you'll be late!" she says, beaming. I accept the papers and practically run to my next class. For the rest of the day my heart pumps faster, and faster. I think about it all day, and when I jump into my car at the end of the day I decide I've made my decision. Boston, here I come!

Today is my last day at Harvey. I'm cleaning out my locker. It's a little sad though. I'll miss my friends, the teachers, and most of all, Debbie. Debbie is my guidance counselor. The two of us really became friends. Sure, she's forty-seven, but she is so kind, and open hearted. I empty my desk and then it happened.

When the School Bell Rings

Brrrrrrrring! The bell. I say my goodbyes, hug Debbie thirty-two times and then head out the doors of Harvey University for the last time. I turn around and look at the big building, knowing this moment will be remembered for the rest of my life. Then I jump in my car, rev my engine then head to the airport, where I will meet my mom and dad.

Twenty minutes later I park the car, and go through the doors. The airport is really big! I see them, and run over to give them a big hug (I guess I really like hugs!) My mom starts to tear up, so I hug her again. (More hugs!) "It's okay Mom, I'm going to visit you lots!" I remind my mom.

"Calling flight 457 to Boston, I repeat flight 457 to Boston go to boarding station number 12" The PA calls.

"Oh! That's my flight! Bye mom! Bye Dad!" I shout to them. I kiss my parents on the cheek, grab my suitcases and head off to the boarding station. The line-up is really long so I quickly get in the back of the line.

In front of me there is a girl about my age. "Hello!"I hear her say when she notices me. "My name is Abigail Spencer! How 'bout you?!"

"Um, I'm Veronica," I answer in my shy voice. I look down at the floor.

"Oh! Is it okay for me to call you Vivvy!?" She asks me, in an excided voice.

I know immediately that we're going to be friends. "Um, sure!" I say.

Abigail is a big talker, unlike me. We are like opposites. She has shoulder-length blond hair with some pink streaks. Her skin is pale, and has multicolored braces that go well with her bright green eyes. I, on the other hand, have long, thick and wavy, jet-black hair. I wear black glasses (the kind that look like sunglasses) that cover my hazel eyes. I also have really tanned skin.

When the School Bell Rings

We talk for a while and it turns out Abby also got invited to Boston University! She went to University of Ontario, which is really close to Toronto!

Finally it's our turn in line. I show my passport and they hand me my ticket. Abby and I are sitting beside each other on the plane! We put our suitcases in the overhead compartment, and then we both sit down and start talking. We talk even more, about Boston University, about our old universities and about our families. We even watch a movie on my I-pod when the Wi-Fi came on. It was so much fun! By the time the movie ends, we're in Chicago!

We get off the plane and grab our luggage. We get a taxi to take us to our hotel for the night. (I can't believe we're in the same hotel!) Once we get there, we go into Abby's room and watch another movie. Then it's time for bed. All night I dream about the university and what it will be like. Some dreams are good, like me getting straight A's. But some are bad, like me making a fool out of myself. I have a goal: don't cause any attention to yourself!

The next thing I know was that it is morning! KNOCK KNOCK! Someone's knocking at my door! It must be Abby. "Coming!" I yell excitedly. I open the door, and there's Abby, dressed in nice clothes.

"Hi Vivvy! Do I look OK!?" She practically shouts.

"You bet!" I reply, sounding as perky as possible" Hey! I have no idea what to wear! Can you help me choose!?"

She laughs "Sure!" Abby picks up my suitcase, and opens it. All I hear is "Oooooh" and "Ahhhhhh!" I guess that's a good sign. Finally she turns around with a great ensemble. I put it on and out the door we go with backpacks and smiles. I know that it's going to be an awesome day!

The next day, Abby and I take a cab to the school. When we open the door I know that this is the start of a new adventure.

Stallion Soldier by Axel Hansen

The sun was rising over the sliver of mountain that Tiberius could see through the open flap of his tent. The sound of enemy fire had subsided and for the time being he was free to sleep. Tiberius had no such intention. The fear of the images he would encounter prevented him from closing his eyes. Tiberius was consumed by the horror of war.

When war was declared, Tiberius was one of many young men eager to be a soldier, to serve his country and to prove his courage. His mother wouldn't hear of it. She said that he was strong and independent, but just a boy. There was an argument that night. It went on for quite a while before they came to an agreement. Given his love for animals, Tiberius could apply to be a veterinarian's assistant in the army. He knew the reason his mother had agreed to this was because it would be safer than being a soldier on the front lines.

The sun now came into the tent. Tiberius looked at the thread of early golden light. He envied it, for it had the freedom to go wherever it pleased. He imagined he was back home after the war was won, seeing the joyful looks on the faces of his parents and little sisters. Tiberius put his hand out, as if trying to to touch the light. The sunlight did not provide any warmth on these cold dreary days. He lay his head on his hands covering his eyes, trying to push away the images of wounded animals doomed to die. Suddenly his tent flap opened. A man with a moustache and small beard looked at him.

"Are you Tiberius Marebequo?" he said.

"Yes," said Tiberius.

"They need you in tent seven, it's urgent."

Tiberius crawled out of the tent and set off at a rapid pace toward tent seven. When he got

there, he rushed in and heard an animal whining softly. For hours the doctor worked feverishly, only stopping to ask Tiberius for tools and devices that were far too complex for Tiberius to comprehend. At last, the doctor left Tiberius with the animal. Only then was Tiberius able to fully observe the animal. He noticed first the hooves, then the strong muscular legs, and the black eyes. He sat down.

"You'll be okay, buddy," he said softly, "everything's going to be alright."

The horse's eyes had a desperate pleading look. He reached his hand out, gently patting the horse's liquorice black head. It relaxed slightly and laid down its head. A flicker of a smile played across Tiberius's face. He was reminded of home and of his own horse. He wondered if he would have the fortune to see it again. He felt the horse tense as he brushed over a bandaged area and then relax again as he took his hand quickly away. A few minutes later the horse started to breathe slowly and deeply. It was a soothing noise and Tiberius started nodding again into the realm of his evil dreams.

He was running into the forest. The sky was dark but covered with tiny specks of light. Someone was chasing him. He tripped and fell. Scrambling to get up he realized his shirt was caught on a branch. As he tried to free himself a man stepped into the clearing, just visible in the darkness. Someone was slumped on the man's shoulder. As the man slipped into the light he realized the body was his mother's. The man had a gun pointed at Tiberius and he was yelling something that Tiberius could not make out. Tiberius heard a shot and screamed in pain.

Tiberius awoke with his head on the table where the horse lay, still sleeping. He sat back in his chair, his eyes half closed. He and the horse were alone. He stood up and walked shakily outside. The cool night air on his face felt refreshing after the heat of the surgical tent. He

looked up. The moon was full. It was beautiful. Its bright white surface glowed like a pearl in coal. On his walk back to his tent he realized he had forgotten to close the flap. When he got there the tent seemed undisturbed and his food rations safe. He lay in his blankets as the wind blew against the side of the tent, making it ripple. It reminded him of the ocean. The soft cool breeze, the smell of salt. The golden sand dormant beneath his feet. He drifted off into nothingness.

When he awoke the next morning the sun did not make an appearance. Instead grey clouds filled the sky. It was almost black. Tiberius ran down to tent seven as rain started falling. Big fat drops pelted down like the enemy fire sounding in the distance. When he reached the barn he was thankful for its warmth. The horse was the only occupant. It was still lying down. Without hesitation he walked to the chair he had been in only hours before. The horse looked at him. The hopelessness in his eyes was gone. It was replaced by a look of wisdom. Again Tiberius noticed the beauty of the animal. The sleek perfect black hair, the hooves dark as night.

"I have a horse just like you," said Tiberius. "He's at home, where I should be with my mom and my dad."

For some odd reason he ended up telling the horse everything about the small farm in the country. When he started to cry, the horse gave a soft moan while gently rubbing Tiberius's hand with his snout. It was very satisfying to be understood by the horse.

Abruptly two men pushed open the doors to the barn.

"The horse is needed back on the field," said the first very disgruntled looking Lieutenant.

Tiberius flared at once.

"No," Tiberius said flatly "he's not going."

"I'm afraid that's not your decision Mr. Marebequo," said the other man, a Sergeant.

Tiberius did not know why he had said those words. Sure, he liked the horse, but enough to disobey orders? The Sergeant held a whip. Then a sudden impulse coursed through Tiberius' veins. Run.

The next thing Tiberius knew he was jumping up and landing on something black. The horse started to move. The wind whistled through his hair. Everything seemed to slow. The whip came down hard across Tiberius' face. When it withdrew he tasted blood. The horse reared and kicked the Sergeant in the chest. They were off at a rapid pace, hurtling into the oncoming rain. As the ground flew by beneath them, Tiberius holding fast to the mane, a name for the horse came to him.

Rogue.

Title: Emily's Story

Grade: 5

School: Lloyd George Elementary School

My name is Emily and I stayed in an orphanage until I was 8. My mom died right after giving birth to me because she had cancer. My dad might be dead, he ran off in the middle of the night when I was 4. He dumped me at an orphanage and ever since my quest has been to find him. I have also been searching for something to distract me from my grief. I want to become an apprentice. Age 8 is when you are allowed to do "The Challenge." I decided to do it.

The challenge is a test to see if are good enough to do jobs like being an inventor, a scientist or a mechanic. You must do the test before becoming an apprentice because technology these days is so complicated I bet it wouldn't make sense to Einstein. It all started in 2402 when Brett Kenneth, the mechanic, got an apprentice that blew up his workshop because he didn't know which button to press. When The Challenge started it was age 13 and up. In 2411 it came down to 8 because there weren't enough teenagers to go around.

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At first I wanted to be a scientist but then the poster for an inventor caught my eye and knew it was right for me. I have a weakness that might make me fail: I suck at math. The day I took the test they gave us a bag with a note book, a pencil, a packet of 3 questions and some household materials. At first I was worried because of my lack of math skills. When I looked at the first question, you guessed it, long division: 632194 divided by 2389, how do expect an 8 year old to do that. I just wrote 3 at the top. The second question was also math but it was easier: 839 plus 6472 that's obviously 9319.

The third question was inventing, it said: Can you make a coffee machine, R.C car or electric piano out of the household items in your bag? You do not have to use all items. I chose the coffee machine. There were 2 plastic bags, 1 box, 1 small box, 1 funnel, 2 metal spoons, tape, screws, glue, electrical wires, a few corks and some pens. First I took the big box and made holes in it and attached the small box inside. either side of the big

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Then I cut a hole in the small box to fit 1 cork. I bent the spoons and taped them to box. Above the spoons I attached the funnel. At the bottom I made a hole and put the second cork in. I used the pens to mark what to do. First dump ground coffee in the funnel, then put hot water in the smaller box. The cork in the smaller box will give way and water will go down the funnel. When the water gets to the bottom it builds up and mixes with the coffee. Eventually the cork will give way making coffee.

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That was my test. They told us to come back in a week to see our results. A week later we all came back. I got all the math wrong, I had some hope about that addition question. Because of the math I did not pass. Then I saw the bright green sticky note on the corner of my test, it said: it's your special day, you're the lucky one. Meet me in my office after you get your results, sincerely Steve Orrison, Director of the Challenge. When I went into his office, which smelled strongly of fluoride and coffee, I saw Steve and an unknown woman. Immediately she introduced herself as Ms. Zindel.

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She said she was amazed by my coffee machine and would like to take me on as an apprentice even though I flunked math. This was probably the absolute best moment of my life! She took me to her home and said this is where you will be staying for the next few years.

It was an ordinary shop, but when I walked into the back room I couldn't believe my eyes. The room was completely metal with green lights. It was split into a bunch of cubicles. There was an experiment or some form of technology in almost every one. It was the most beautiful, magnificent thing I had ever seen. It was like the best holiday ever, Christmas with some science. Christmas because of the green lights, science because it was the most amazing science lab ever! This is officially Christmas science style. I knew we would make millions of amazing memories in this very room.

My first day was amazing, I got to help with most of the experiments. Over lunch Ms. Zindel told me the most amazing thing, she was making a time machine. She had

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tested it and it just needed someone else's great ideas. Later we had some get to know you time. It turns out Ms. Zindel was a cook and discovered science through her cooking. I told her about my parents and how I wanted to find my dad. At that moment Ms. Zindel had this mysterious glow in her eye and she said if we can finish the time machine we can find my dad. This was her plan: finish the time machine, travel to the night when my dad left me, then convince him not to go. From dawn to sunset the next day we planned and worked on the time machine.

It took about a week to get the time machine to work and when it did it felt like a huge weight had been lifted off my shoulders. I would finally find my dad and I made a new friend in the process. We planned on starting our search in a week so we have time to pack, plan and work out the last little kinks in the new and improved Zindel/Emily 110000.

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We left during the night so no one could see us. In the end our time machine ended up looking like an alien space ship with many control panels and purple and green stripes. When we got home I saw my dad's smiling face above me whispering wake up. It turns out I got knocked out on take off and Ms. Zindel had to do all the work. She convinced my dad to come home and see his daughter again and now I would have a real true family that included Ms. Zindel.

Tess Howick

Grade 5

Lloyd George Elementary School

THE NIGHT OWL

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Hoo hoo the owl calls,

the night is dark but not for all.

In a cottage on the edge of town

a little girl puts on her princess crown.

Mom and Dad sing a bedtime song

snuggled up, nothing could go wrong.

The wolf howls the bear growls.

The owl calls good night.

Goodnight to you, good night to me.

Goodnight to my whole family.

You brush your teeth then with relief

you shuffle off to bed.

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SPRING CHEERS

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When birdie's chirp

and babies weep

it could only be one time.

Spring has come, the special days

when the sun can finally shine.

The butterflies fly all around.

Flowers blossom on the ground.

Bears wake up from their sleep.

In the night the raccoons creep.

Spring oh spring my favorite season.

Eggs are hidden, what's the reason?

Easter comes along with spring.

So that we can laugh and sing.

Spring you are my dream come true.

And that is why I am asking you

to stay until summer comes.

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My feet crunched the leaves on the ground and dodged slim sticks sticking out. The wolf sprinting in front of me jarred around a tree to the right. My eyes barely had time to look at the tree before I headed in the other direction. I could hear the chief (my Papa) calling my name, Lily, but I shook it away.

My tribe was called Quoolea and it was one of the smallest but most resourceful in our forest. Everyone in Quoolea underestimated me and gave me easy camp jobs like cleaning. Maybe if I caught this wolf, they would realize my full abilities. Maybe one day they would let me be free, which was all I wanted. When I was four months old, my mother, Silas, found me in a tree. No one knew how I survived four months alone. Although, it seemed as if something was being kept from me. Once Silas took me in, she never let me leave the camp. Now that I was twelve, I didn't need her protection.

My Papa called again and demanded I never leave the camp. I couldn't argue as my head nodded in acceptance and I scurried away.

That night, I stroked my long, blonde hair that fell down to my waist. I was different than everyone else and since I couldn't prove myself, I planned to escape. It would be simple to sneak away tonight for Mama would be busy with the festival.

Once I was at the borders of the forest, I took my last deep breath of the wilderness. I pushed away any passing thought of home in my mind as I wiped away tears. As I stepped into the village, there standing in front of me was Papa. Surprisingly, he brought me into a hug which reassured me that everything would be fine.

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Just then, we were swept off our feet by a cloak the color of the midday sun. Literally. The next thing I knew the chief and I were in the back of a disgusting truck. Although fear and wonder were taking over, I couldn't help but roll my eyes at the monstrosity I was sitting in right now. One of the reasons the village didn't like Quoolea was because we refused to trade our resources to the village for junk that only polluted our beautiful earth.

We barely had time to cry for help before the cloaked person stuffed a gag in our mouths and tied our hands and feet. My heart was exploding out of my chest and by the look on papa's face, I could tell his was too. The leather seats were stiff and Papa sat there frozen. The urge to try to escape filled my body but I knew it would do me no good. Just yesterday was a normal tribal day. I was so close to freedom and this was so unexpected. What did this man want with us? More questions came to me which made me feel dizzy. I closed my eyes and hoped everything would be OK.

I must have slept for a couple of hours because the next thing I knew, the truck was in the mountains. Where I lived, you couldn't even spot hills for quite some distance. I knew falling asleep was foolish. If I had any sparkling chance of escaping, the right time would have been when the opportunity was still fresh. Now, my chance had disappeared. Even in this wild situation, my heart warmed seeing the world from this view. The cloaked person got out of the truck which caught my attention. He started pushing boulders off the cliff and led us through a hole in the mountain on foot.

As we entered, our eyes came to see at least a thousand people. The cloaked man spoke instantly and finally removed his hood. "This place is for misfits who are trying to find their soul and need a supporting home to do so. I have seen that your tribe has obviously not been doing that for you", the man explained. His last sentence stung my heart intensely. The man's shiny

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blonde hair was his only feature that stood out. It was refreshing for someone to look like me! I wasn't alone, I was comforted. This was finally it! I questioned these feelings but I knew that this was where I was put on earth to be. This man however, I felt didn't care. It was all happening so quickly but I decided he wouldn't ruin this for me, he couldn't! I was done going along with other people's plans. I kept silent but my actions did not. I jumped on the man and brought him to the ground. He was clearly surprised that an innocent girl had taken action. I tied up his hands along with his feet with the ropes he used on me. I stapled him to the ground with my foot and instructed my papa to do the rest. They were both equally surprised but papa followed my orders. *He* couldn't argue now. His pride wasn't hidden. The man was brought to the village where he belonged. From taking a quick glance around, I could tell he didn't fit.

Two days later Papa came back. I was getting to know the place for those two days that blurred by. I didn't eat a crumb or sleep a second. I felt completely normal and it got me thinking how it was possible and how I survived those four months in that tree so many years ago. Papa explained that our tribe was hiding that I was some kind of human miracle and they thought I was magical. He said that and left. Mama still didn't believe in me. Was Papa proud? Was this really the right decision? Would I find joy? Did this place care about nature? What now? Even with these questions, I took my next step in this big adventure we call life.

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Ella Jansen grades Lloyd george Girl Bx dax monster Bx hight GIRL BY DAY MONSTER BY NIGHT

Once upon a time there was a girl named Violet. Violet had long blond hair with blue eyes. She was 8 years old and lived with her mother and father. She was an ordinary girl by day but by night she turned into a monster. No one noticed anything strange about Violet except her friend Keira. Kiera was a girl in Violet's grade 2 class. Kiera was the only person who noticed the very faint face scales on Violets face. Violet did not know that Kiera had figured something was very different about Violet. Kiera also happen to live next door to Violet. Kiera's bedroom faces Violet's bedroom and at night she can see strange lights and hear strange sounds coming from Violet's room. Kiera never questioned Violet about the things she heard or saw in Violet's room. She was scared herself that something might happen to her if she said anything to anyone. So Kiera just kept the secret to herself.

Violet never told her parents but when she finally did her mother's mouth just opened wide and she couldn't say anything. She was so shocked. Her father was very concerned about her skin and her safety. Violet was their only child. No one knew why Violet was turning into a monster every night. They had never heard of any family members who had this problem. It was very scary for her parents. They weren't sure if anyone in their neighborhood knew or her school. Violet just wanted to be like everyone else just a girl in grade 2. They knew they would have to help Violet. They just didn't know how they were going to help. They would do all they could to find a cure to keep Violet their little girl. Violet did not want to talk about it anymore so she went upstairs to her room.

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One day while Violet was walking to school she saw a shiny thing in front of her on the sidewalk. It was tiny and round with yellow spots that glowed. It also moved in front of Violet back and forth slowly then quickly. Violet watched as it moved behind her and it stayed there until she started to walk. It didn't scare Violet. She thought it was kind of cute that it was following her like a puppy. It followed her all the way to school. When school was over it was there again as she stepped onto the sidewalk to walk home. She wasn't afraid of the shiny thing and felt like it was trying to give her a message. But she just couldn't figure it out. When she got closer to home more shiny objects that were also tiny and round with yellow spots that glowed came together. They were somehow warning her to stay away from her neighbours house. Violet was very confused now because she was friends with her neighbors. Violet knew Kiera lived next door and thought maybe she knows Violet turns into a monster at night. Maybe she will start telling people about her secret. Violet began to walk faster home as it was getting dark out.

Violet entered through the back door of her house. She had a feeling the shiny objects were now threatening her. They knew she was different and they did not like it. Violet was becoming very confused at what the shiny things were trying to tell her. She was able to escape the shiny objects once she entered her house. She looked at the time and zoomed off to her bedroom. It was getting late and soon she would become a monster! She didn't want her mother and father to see her turn into a monster. Violet didn't hear her mother open her bedroom door just as the clock struck nine o'clock and Violet turned into a monster. Violet's mother fainted on the spot. It was just too much for her mother to watch. Violet only becomes a monster between nine o'clock and ten

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o'clock. Violet sat with her mother until ten o'clock. Violet return to her normal self and her mother woke up from fainting. Her mom asks "what just happened?" Violet told her she had turned into a monster and that it only last an hour every night. Violet doesn't like that it happens and wants to fix this problem. Her mother says they will go see a special doctor in the morning to find a cure and help her stay a normal girl.

The next day they went to see the doctor and to find out what was happening to Violet. The doctor said there is only one thing you can do. Violet was to eat a certain tropical flower from Hawaii and mix it into a tea. She was to drink this tea for 30 days. If she followed directions Violet would just be a normal girl and never turn into a monster again. After the 30 days of drinking the tea Violet wouldn't remember the times of turning into a monster. Violet was so happy to hear that they could help with her problem and that she never would be a monster again.

Violet drank the tea for 30 days and was finally cured of turning into a monster.

She was a very happy girl at last! Her friend Kiera even noticed the scales on her face had disappeared. She never saw anything strange happen again in Violet's room at night.

Violet's mother and father were happy to have their little girl back to normal.

The next day Violet woke up she had realized that it was all a dream. Her mother and father sat eating breakfast and her friend Kiera knocked on the door to pick her up for school. It was such a relief that it was only a dream. Violet was so happy to get ready for school and live a normal life. Violet never remembered this dream and never will.

The End

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As the boy walked down the gloomy alleyway of Rome, Italy 64 B.C, he wondered what his next assignment would be. Robbing some warrior's tomb, maybe hunting down a Saxon spy, or maybe even something to do with the king, he had no idea. He hoped that it was exciting, and scary. He always loved the scary missions.

He turned a sharp corner and started heading up some stairs. As soon as he stepped on the first step the box in his hands shook violently. He took the dagger from his belt and stabbed the box. His master hadn't said that the creature needed to be alive. He took another turn and walked into a doorway on his left. A sudden whiff of burnt garlic filled his nostrils, the smell of home. He set the box on the table and sat down on the couch, took out his dagger and started wiping it on his cloth, there was a fresh coat of red on the dagger from the creature in the box. A door to his left opened and his master walked in. He was a tall broad shouldered man with dark black hair cut to cover most of his face. He sat at the table and examined the box.

"You got it yourself?" he asked

"Yup" the boy responded "Straight from that Mr. Poe guy's house, well yard."

"We do not have time for comedy" he answered as he opened the box, peered inside then pulled away again.

"Why is it dead?" he asked

"Well" the boy responded "You never actually clarified it had to be alive, and it was causing a racket in its box. So I killed it, simple as pie"

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The master groaned, then said "You always make things harder for me. I have your next mission". He walked over to the window and shut the blinds.

"This is your hardest mission yet, and the most dangerous."

"M-kay" the boy responded

"And you will be working with three other apprentices"

"What! Come on, I work better alone anyway"

"You will need three others for this one, trust me" said the boys master.

"Now," he said yet again "your mission is to go to the temple of Caesar and rob Julius Caesar's grave, I know it sounds difficult, and it will be, but I know you can succeed".

The boy stared at him in disbelief.

"Difficult" he said "Practically impossible!"

"Well" his master said "You will be working with three others, that makes it easier."

The boy whistled.

"Yeah" he said "Much easier"

The next day the master and his apprentice walked to the Roman forum to examine the temple of Caesar, and to meet the other apprentices. When they got there the others were already there.

"Hey Smallsie," one of them sneered at him "Just leave it to us, you're FAR too weak to do this." The others snickered.

"In fact," he said again "you leave right now.. WEAKLING." They all started laughing.

The boy took a step forward, all the masters were watching

"Oh-Ho" the same boy said "Getting angry are ya, I sure hope so. Cuz we don't need you anyway!"

The boy took another step.

"Just go home home little baby," they all started fake crying "go home and cry in your bed, wait.. You don't have a bed, you sleep on the dirty hard floor!"

The boy talked went to push the other boy. The boy just carelessly stepped to the side and watched as he fell to the floor. The masters were still just watching, no expressions. "You know" the boy said "You are prrrrretty weak for calling someone weak".

The other boy lunged at him once more. The boy stepped aside carelessly again. Just this time putting his foot on the other boy.

"And since we have to work together, I suggest you be nice to me"

He took his foot off the other boy and walked away back facing him.

Once again the other boy charged at him. This time the boy turned, took him by the feet flipped him and threw him on the ground. Within seconds he had his dagger out at the other boys neck and was on the ground.

"Or I might just give you the slip". Then the boy got up and started walking down the hill, back turned to them all.

"What were you thinking!" yelled the master back at the house "You almost made them postpone the mission!!"

"So" the boy said.

"So" the master said back "They would have had the four of you KILLED!"

"What..."

"Uh... Shouldn't have said that..." said the master.

"What do you mean.. Killed".

"Well.." said the master "the thing is.. If you wouldn't have completed the mission.. Us masters would have had to kill you guys.. Or else the other masters and I would have been slaughtered."

"And WHY is that!?" the boy aggressively asked.

"How do I explain this" said the master "Well, you know all the missions that you've done over the last nine years?"

"Yes"

"Well those were all for a purpose, not just to make me happy."

"And the purpose is ..?"

The master took a big breath "The purpose is to make the Egyption boss happy" "Egypt.. They are our ENEMIES! TRAITOR!"

"I suppose you could say that.. Well, now that you figured it out.. You must die".

The master got up took his dagger out of his pocket and started walking toward the boy. "You can't do this" said the boy "Please".

"Sorry kid" said his master "Masters orders" Suddenly the boys master charged at the boy.

The boy jumped to the side and onto their table. The boy took his own dagger and jumped off the table as his master sliced at him again. Then something unexpected happened. The boys master started mutter nonsense and making hand signals. Then a ball of purple energy was in his hands. The master started shooting the balls of energy at the boy. The boy dodged them all, jumping from couch to table to ground and back to couch again, and so on. Then the boy threw his dagger at his master, didn't look back and ran into the dark street...

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The Best Vacation Ever

Once upon a time there was a little boy named Jake. Jake is seven years old and is going on a trip to Ontario with his mom Susan. They boarded the plane a half an hour ago, its twelve o'clock and they just started to look at the menu. Him and his mom both ordered a chicken wrap and a fruit cup. By the time they were done eating there was 3 hours left on their flight, so they both started to pack up because he didn't want to do it later and they can watch their movie longer and don't have to worry about it later. The pilot used a microphone to tell everyone they are landing soon. This is one of the moments that Jake has been dreading ever since they boarded the plane. The reason he didn't like is whenever the plane starts to descend his ears start to hurt really bad. Once they landed they got on a bus and headed to there Hotel. The bus was full of other people and a lot of luggage. It was a long ride to the Hotel but it didn't bother Jake

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because he had the window seat. There was a lot of things to do during the ride to the Hotel. When they got to the Hotel there was a sign in front of the Hotel that said the Beach Side In They got there key and headed to the second floor room 162. They opened the door and there was a huge kitchen and a big dining room with a sparkling chandelier, two beds in separate rooms with a t.v pluss the bathroom was really big. In the hallway outside there room there was a huge fountain there were benches and plants. Downstairs there was also a swimming pool and a buffet. Jake likes Mcdonalds so that is what they had for dinner. After dinner they got ready for bed, Jake was so excited to sleep in his bed because it is so big and bouncy. After a long night's rest Jake felt so refreshed and full of energy. Jake and his mom got up at 10:00 and were getting a little Hungry, they decided to go out for brunch. Jake and his mom get ready they headed to the main floor and sure enough there It was a huge buffet! There was so much food it was Incredible The buffet had pancakes,

toast and waffles with your choice of mixed berries,

chocolate sauce, whipped creamor butter. There was also other food like eggs, sausage, bacon and Hashbrowns. There's a lot more food but Jake had his eyes set on the pancakes. Jake got the enormous fluffy Pancakes piled on the mixed berries and then topped it off with whipped cream and had eggs on the side. The food was so delicious and the pancakes were so soft, the berries were not too sweet and the eggs, nice and fluffy. When they were done eating their scrunchies breakfast they went back upstairs to their room. Jake felt like going to the pool so he got into his bathing suit grabbed his goggles and headed out the door. When Jake saw the pool he stopped dead in his tracks! The pool was so big there was a waterslide and a hot tube. Jake was so excited to get in the water, He found an empty seat to put his towel on and waited for his mom Once his mom got there he grabbed his goggles and got in the water. There was 2 pools a medium warm one that had lots of toys and fountains and a large cold one. The cold one was crystal clear had ropes to swimmers in track and a cool carpet

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that allows you to walk on water. Jake jumped in the one that was warm and made an enormous splash! The best part Was when Jake found a lazy river! All you had to do was relax on a floaty and it will pull you along you could also go fast, bump into people or have water fights. Jake Was having so much fun But he wanted to go on the water slide. Jake found it at the back of the building, there's a really big grand staircase to walk up. He finally got To the top and patiently waited his turn in line. When he got To the top there was two people in front of him.could see a screen that showed the person who was just coming out end. When it was finally Jake's turn he was standing there in front Of the waterslide and could see part way down the slide until the first bend the lifeguard had to say go so Jake water slide was Really long. Finally someone came out and the lifeguard said go. Jake slid into the entrance and pushed of So he could go, He had a lot of fun. Jake was on it for a little bit when he noticed that the water slide walls were starting to get lighter he thought it was because they used different colored

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wall but Jake realized that the walls were brighter because was outside. It got darker again soHe Knew he Made it back inside. Finally got out and he realized he he And to use the bathroom. He was looking for the bathroom and he Finally found it at the back of the building. Jake used the bathroom and came out when he realized that he had no clue where he was! He Started to go into panic mode he did a really quick scan of the area he still had no clue where he was. He was totally lost, all he wanted to do was curl up into a ball and cry Until he has no tears left. He finally saw Something familiar And started to walk toward sit, but it Turns out it wasn't What he thought it was, he knew he was so So lost he started to speed walk around the building but he found the front Doors of the building and not the pool. He sat in some chair the front and looked up he saw a sign on the roof, it pointing to the right and said pool. Jake thought he might not be lost after all. He followed it back to the pool and found his mom and told here what happened. Susan his mom told him that she was so worried and she didn't know what

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The best vacation
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had happened. They decided to go back to the Hotel. They started to pack up their things after because they are leaving The Hotel tomorrow. Jake and his mom both got a drink Of water and went to bed. The next day they gotto the airport and went to their area to go on their flight back home. Jake could hardly wait to come back next year.

The Death Game

It was the time of the Dark Ages in the north of Poland, when everybody fought and murdered, the warriors took over, and the world felt like it would come to an end. There were battles roaring and it was all caused by a powerful stone, The Death Game. Once you became the age of 29, the stone would take your soul, you'd become dark, and there was only one person who could stop this.

Jake Jones was no ordinary ten year old boy. He was the weirdest boy in town and wouldn't get his nose out of his fantasy books. The only real special thing about Jake was that he never forgot a single book he read.

One crisp early winter morning, the wind was howling and the snow was tumbling. While Jake's mom was yelling at him to come eat breakfast, his father was out in battle and his 26 year old brother, Cedric, was sitting in the living room. Meanwhile, Jake heard a knock at the door. He turned the knob and in burst the tallest, ugliest warrior Jake had ever seen. The warrior lunged at his brother, wrestled him to the ground, then threw him onto the kitchen table and left him bleeding and crying in pain. His mom was furious because Cedric landed right in the breakfast plates. Jake decided that he would rather go to the library than watch stuff get even more messy.

As Jake peered through the books on the shelves, he spotted a book lying on the ground under the shelf. When he got hold of the dusty book, he realised all the pages were torn apart. Jake could just make out the words even though the ink was smudged. The title written was "The Death Game Explained".

While Jake was walking home, he couldn't get his nose out of his book. When he opened the door, he heard an older man weeping in pain and there he saw, lying on the wooden floor, his father with a blade in his broad chest. Jake dropped the book and ran over to his bleeding, dying father. By the time Jake got to his knees, his father was dead in his arms. Killed by a warrior.

Jake ran madly to his room with his torn book in his hand, tears in his eyes. He kept on reading. It was about a stone, The Death Game, placed somewhere in northern Poland, guarded by many unusual things such as warriors and werewolves. The stone had the power to make everyone evil and dark after turning the age of 29. Jake realised it was all true! It was happening right now. He noticed something inscribed, smudged on the paper, it was his name! Jake understood his task. Jake, and only Jake, had to save the world!

He packed all his stuff up and got ready for his quest. Then he heard someone creep behind him. When he looked back, he saw a blurred figure of a human racing off. After everything was packed Jake snuck out the back door and into the forest.

Time passed quickly. His feet were throbbing, his stomach was grumbling. Then he heard something rustle behind him. Something was following him! He looked behind, but there was nothing to be seen.

Jake heard another rustle somewhere a lot closer so he started sprinting. Then in front of him stood an enormous, ugly creature. It was a bloodthirsty werewolf! It hadn't seen Jake, but it was sniffing him out. Jake had read that werewolves couldn't see, but used their noses to sense their prey and they quite

enjoyed human blood. One little scratch from them and there's no telling what could happen. The only good news was that Jake must be close to the stone if they were already hunting him down.

Jake put his hand into his bag assuming he'd feel his book but instead he felt stones. Someone had stolen his book! Suddenly, the bloodthirsty creature reared off to follow someone else. Jake pursued stealthily. He caught a glimpse of a human. It was a young man, rather similar to Jake's brother, but had a mask on so Jake couldn't tell the identity. The man was holding something interesting in his hands... He had Jake's book and a threatening dagger! Then the thief ran away. Not remembering about the creature, Jake aggressively pursued the thief. Now the bloodthirsty werewolf had two targets.

As Jake was chasing after the thief, the werewolf was hot on his tail. The sharp, dangerous teeth were too close for Jake's liking. The thief was slowing down while the animal was picking up his pace.

Jake tripped on a root and fell face first into the snow. The werewolf lunged at Jake and the thief glanced back laughing hysterically. Jake's first reflex was to roll! The monster left a deep scratch up Jake's arm but at least the werewolf was injured in the attack. Jake persevered and got back up. The thief had planted his feet in front of a large boulder, and there, on top, was the stone, The Death Game.

Jake realised that the thief was his brother. He knew Cedric wanted to be a hero but Jake also knew that he was meant to break the stone, not Cedric. If Jake was not the one to destroy the stone, terrible things would happen. Cedric lunged with his dagger to destroy The Death Game. Jake dove at Cedric and crossed his path just in time. The dagger flew out of Cedric's hand. As Cedric hit the ground he was impaled by his own weapon. Jake stayed there for a while, sobbing over his brother's body.

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Finally, he got up and demolished the death stone. The people of Poland were free of the curse and were free of the warriors and fighting. Jake had forgotten about the scratch on his arm but the darkness was travelling up his veins. His eyes turned red. Suddenly, he had the urge to destroy every happy Polish soul.

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Cosmo was roaming the camp of Sun Clan in the Emerald forest when Sunstar called to him. Cosmo is a purple wolf with an unnatural power for seeing prey before he even smelled it in the forest.

"Coming!" called Cosmo. Sunstar is a sun coloured wolf as well as the leader of Sun Clan! When Cosmo reached Sunstar, Sunstar surprised Cosmo with these words. "You will be mentoring these two pups, Piper and Skypup. I expect you to start training them right away!" Cosmo was astonished.

"I'm finally going to mentor some apprentices!" Cosmo said with excitement. So as Sunstar said, he went to meet his new apprentices Piper and Skypup! As Cosmo started walking to the apprentices' den, Piper and Skypup came running over and knocked Cosmo off his paws, anxious to meet their new mentor! Piper and Skypup sounded excited to meet their mentor.

"Are you our mentor?" Piper and Skypup whispered in unison.

"Yes but don't be too excited!" said Cosmo. Just then Rosco appeared from Sun Clans camps entrance. Rosco is a black wolf with amber eyes and is Cosmo's best friend.

"Hey Rosco want to help train my new apprentices? asked Cosmo.

"Sure," replied Rosco.

"Okay Sunstar told me to get started right away!" Cosmo told Rosco. Then Cosmo and Rosco headed over to the training hollow to see how well the young apprentices can fight.

"Okay fight us. Piper you work with Rosco, Skypup you work with me!" Cosmo ordered. So as the apprentices were told Piper and Skypup went to work with fighting drills trying hard not to fail their mentor.

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"Attack me," Cosmo said, to Skypup. As told Skypup attacked high but Cosmo strafed out of the way.

"Attack lower," Cosmo told Skypup. As told Skypup attacked low but Cosmo pounced out of the way.

"Skypup you must stay low but attack high that's what will trick the enemy!" Cosmo ordered. Again Skypup attacked but this time with Cosmo's technique and slashed cosmo across the stomach.

"Are you okay?" asked Skypup.

"Yes i'm quite fine," replied Cosmo. And so they trained and trained until sunhigh when they decided to get back to camp!

"You both did well," Cosmo and Rosco said, in unison. Everyone was tired so they decided to go to their dens to get some well earned rest. By the time Cosmo woke up, it was morning. Cosmo decided to take Piper and Skypup on a hunting lesson. Luckily he saw his apprentices on the other side of the clearing and called to them.

"Piper, Skypup!" Cosmo called. Piper and Skypup sprinted to Cosmo on the other side of the camp clearing.

"Were going on a hunting lesson, is that okay with you?" Cosmo asked them.

"Is Rosco coming?" asked Piper and Skypup.

"I'll go see if he's available," Cosmo told the apprentices. As Cosmo walked towards Rosco's den he heard Sunstar call to him.

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"I'm going to train Piper and Skypup," Cosmo told Sunstar as he trotted towards him.

"Is Rosco free?" Cosmo asked.

"I'm afraid not I've sent him on a patrol our camp borders, I'm sorry," replied Sunstar."

"It's okay," Cosmo told Sunstar. So Cosmo went back to his apprentices and went out of their camp, out into the open forest to practice their hunting skills.

"Okay, when you're hunting you want to crouch low, tread lightly, and stalk your prey," Cosmo told Piper and Skypup.

"And don't chase your prey," Cosmo reminded them. So for the rest of the morning and some of sunhigh they practiced hunting on mice and grouse. Then Cosmo decided to asses the little ones' hunting skills to see how well they will hunt on their own.

"Okay I am going to asses your hunting skills. I expect you to go out alone and I shall see how well you do." Ordered Cosmo. So Cosmo waited for the apprentices to leave before he hopped up in the trees to watch them. Cosmo watched them hunt until the start of sundown then he came down from the tall trees to congratulate the young apprentices and help bring the heap of fresh kill to the camp.

"You both did well!" exclaimed Cosmo.

"Thank you," Piper and Skypup said in unison. When they got back to camp they put the newly hunted fresh kill in a pile and the apprentices went to rest but Sunstar had different plans for Cosmo.

"I want you and rosco on a last minute hunting patrol before dark," Sunstar ordered. So as ordered Cosmo took Rosco with him on a hunting patrol into the forest.

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"Why us?" Rosco asked.

"Because Sunstar knew I was looking for you earlier," Cosmo replied. So then Cosmo and Rosco hunted and hunted until they chose to hunt the last piece of fresh kill for the night.

"Hey do you hear that?" asked Cosmo. "No," replied Rosco.

"It's a mouse, I'll get it," Cosmo told Rosco. So as Cosmo said he went to get it but chased it up a tree when his claws slipped on the slippery tree trunk and fell ending up breaking his hind leg. Cosmo yelped and Rosco hurried Cosmo to the nursery in the camp. Right as Cosmo lied down his apprentices came running in worried sick for Cosmo.

"Are you okay?" the young apprentices asked Cosmo.

"I'll be okay... but I believe Rosco will have to train you for awhile until i'm healed," replied Cosmo.

"Will you still be able to watch?" asked the apprentices. "Maybe," replied Cosmo.

Then Cosmo decided to rest until tomorrow...

The End!

One Normal Day At Home. By Kai Kristensen R.L. Clemitson Grade 5

VROOM! Put, put, put, I got off my Honda XR 80 dirt bike and put up the kickstand. I had gotten home from school an hour ago, and had been driving my dirt bike since. I looked at it, and smiled with satisfaction. I went up our back porch and opened our back door. Then 'The Smell', as I like to call it, hit me. It was a mixture of electronics, mud and Chinese food. I grabbed a glass of water and sat down. As I took a drink, I thought to myself, "Man, I love my little farm house." The house was blue with white trimmings and a metal roof. "Yep, thank you Mom and Dad, for introducing farm life to me."

I got back up and went to my room. I started reading a book. It was called Suicide Squad: The Book. I was at a really good part. The Joker and Harley Quinn were driving a purple Lamborghini. Batman was chasing them in his Bat-Mobile. The Joker drove the million dollar car into Gotham Lake. He somehow made a clean getaway.

Then my brother barged into my room and shot me with a Nerf gun. I swung my fist at him, but he blocked and ran away. I let him run. I didn't care. I went back to my book.

When I left my room, I found my dad working on his horror story. He was writing a book about a ghost that kept changing things around. I had a feeling someday it would be a bestseller.

I decided to do a drawing about some ghosts fighting the ghostbusters. I usually did some drawing after school.

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"Let's see," I thought. "Dr. Egon is being taken away by a party of ghosts. Ray is knocked out. Winston is fighting off a lot of ghosts with his proton pack." Yep, call me crazy, but I loved thinking up stories then writing them down and drawing pictures about them. It was a hobby.

Speaking of hobbies, when I looked back I saw my Dad had started doing his model car set. So I decided to do mine too.

Two hours later, I was outside shooting my brother with a Nerf gun. He attempted to save himself by running into the hills, but I just chased him, shooting and reloading so fast my hands were a blur. Then my Dad told me to stop, so I did.

When my brother came back to the house a few minutes later, I shone a flashlight at him. "MY EYES!" He shouted, stumbling around like a drunk Irish man. It was really funny. I sat down at the campfire in our yard.

Mom and Dad were roasting some smokies, I was staring blankly into space, and my brother was rolling around on the ground, hands to his eyes. I thought about my day at school. "Let's see," I thought to myself. "I got on a bus full of idiots. I got busted for drawing cartoons during math. I tagged a lot of people during never-ending tag. I did Track and Field during Gym."

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Then my train of thought was broken when my brother shot me with my Nerf gun. I whirled around. "Got you back!" He said with a sly grin. I growled like a wolf, and chased him into the hills. I caught him and hit him on the head. Then I took out a Nerf gun and shot him six times in his back.

BLAM! BLAM! BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!

"MY BACK!" He moaned, falling to the ground.

"Oh, be quiet, you wimp." I replied. I then started walking back to the fire. A few minutes later, my brother showed up.

I went inside, pet my cat, changed into my PJ's, and got into bed. I fell asleep instantly.

Yep, for me it had just been an average, normal day. I couldn't wait for tomorrow!

THE END!!!!!!