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### **Fire Within (The Last Dragon Chronicles #1)**

When the head of the Bureau of Useful Misadventures (or BUM) discovers that an evil organization is using the Student Mind and Body competition to recruit agents, he asks Nathan to enter the competition, but things go terribly wrong when Nathan's nemesis starts to notice some odd things about him, and Nathan fears his zombie identity will be exposed.

## **The Bully Bug**

A year after Eddie "Trash" Thalmeyer and his friends find out about their psychic abilities, Trash is kidnapped and Torchie, Cheater, Lucky, Flinch, and Martin join forces to rescue their friend, discovering their true talents in the process.

## **Attack of the Vampire Weenies**

To the Bozo, the clown who sits inside the cage above the dunk tank, everyone is a "mark." Once he has zeroed in on his victim, the Bozo comes up with the perfect wisecrack—something funny enough to make people stop and listen, and cruel enough to hook the mark. Now the mark is bent on revenge, and he'll buy however many balls he needs to hit the target and see the Bozo plunge into the water. It's a game that fascinates Chad, who lives on the Jersey shore, where the boardwalk turns into an amusement park every summer. He wishes he could shout at the world from the safety of a cage—his dad ran out on him and his mom, and now everyone seems convinced that Chad will wind up a loser, too. He's determined to get a job playing the Bozo, something he knows he'd be good at. Suddenly, Chad finds himself thrown into a strange and twisted world, where humor has far more power than he ever imagined. With a crackling plot and smart, funny dialogue, Dunk pulls readers along on a journey that exposes a universal truth: We all need to laugh.

## **Dog Days**

The Bully Bug is the sixth standalone tale in the hilarious Monsterrific Tales series for young readers by acclaimed author David Lubar. The Monsterrific Tales series began with Hyde and Shriek, a Kids' Indie Next list selection, and is sure to appeal to reluctant readers and fans of Lubar's short stories collections. There's something strange going on at Washington Irving Elementary School. Kids are turning into monsters—literally! Lud Mellon gets bitten by a bevy of bugs in his basement and the next thing he knows, he's crawling up walls, drooling on his food, and rolling around in garbage. Turning into a giant insect seems fun at first, almost like having superpowers. But when his dad calls in the exterminators, Lud has to figure out how to stop his transformation before he gets squashed like a bug. "This book will talk itself right off the shelves, and reluctant readers will devour it."—School Library Journal on *The Curse of the Campfire Weenies* At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **The Psychozone: The Witches' Monkey and Other Tales**

Ten-year-old Nathan Abercrombie is having a really bad day. First, Shawna Lanchester, the prettiest girl in his class, doesn't invite him to her party. Then he gets picked last in gym class. Things couldn't get any worse until he gets doused with an experimental serum that turns him into a half-dead zombie! Nathan soon discovers that being half dead isn't all bad. He doesn't need any sleep, so he can stay up all night

and play games online. He doesn't feel any pain, so there's no need to worry about Rodney the bully anymore. Still, Nathan would rather be human. Will he find a cure? Or will Nathan be half-dead forever? Fans of David Lubar's popular Weenies short story collections—which have sold more than one million copies—will love *My Rotten Life*, the first of a series of hilariously rotten adventures starring Nathan Abercrombie, *Accidental Zombie*. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Hidden Talents**

A new edition of a popular story by the author of the Nathan Abercrombie series finds Angie's little brother, Rory, transforming into a ghost and enlisting the help of fellow spirits to return to normal.

### **The Unwilling Witch**

*Character, Driven* is a powerful and hilarious coming-of-age novel for young adults by acclaimed author David Lubar. With only one year left of high school, seventeen-year-old Cliff Sparks is desperate to "come of age"—a.k.a., lose his virginity. But he's never had much luck with girls. So when he falls for Jillian, a new classmate, at first sight, all he can do is worship her from afar. At the same time, Cliff has to figure out what to do with the rest of his life, since he's pretty sure his unemployed father plans to kick him out of the house the minute he turns eighteen. Time is running out. Cliff is at the edge, on the verge,

dangling—and holding on for dear life. "Readers will giggle and guffaw at Lubar's trademark humor, while their heartstrings are tugged and feelings are tied in knots. This exquisitely crafted coming-of-age novel gets down and dirty—and even rebellious—without sacrificing honesty, thoughtfulness, or respect."

—Booklist, starred review "Readers will relish clever wordplay, fantasies, and a major secret. In a genre full of barely likable teenage protagonists, Cliff is a charmer, and readers will be cheering him on to finally come of age. Cliff is a character driven to fulfill his quest, and readers will be with him every step of the way." —Kirkus Reviews, starred review "Filled with wordplay and moments of wry observation and revelation, this contemporary coming-of-age-novel follows the trials of a big-hearted teen who suffers some hard knocks. . . . Cliff's humorous perspective on his predicaments doesn't lessen their sharp impact." —Publishers Weekly, starred review

### **The Battle of the Red Hot Pepper Weenies**

Best-selling author Chris d'Lacey brings us a magical story about mysterious hand crafted clay dragons who have unusual powers. When David moves in with Liz and Lucy, he discovers a collection of hand crafted, clay dragons that comes to life and has magical powers. David's personalized dragon, Gadzooks, can forecast the future, and inspires him to write a story which reveals the truth behind an unsolved mystery close to home. The story has an unhappy ending, and when David realizes the

consequences of it he is angry. Then David finds Gadzooks crying and near death, and he discovers that these special dragons die when they are not loved. Soon David is forced to save his friend and unlock the powers of the fire within. Don't miss Chris d'Lacey's addition to his rich dragon mythology in his next series, The Erth Dragons!

### **Beware the Ninja Weenies**

"Companion to Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie"--Cover.

### **Emperor of the Universe**

It's a stinky situation when Nathan's school, Belgosi Upper Elementary, develops a mold problem. But what's the reason behind the stinky, putrid, rotten smell that seems to be following Nathan around?

### **Goop Soup**

Strikeout of the Bleacher Weenies is the eighth collection of spooky short stories for ages 8 to 12 by the beloved author of the Nathan Abercrombie series, David Lubar. This is the perfect pick for reluctant young readers who like a few chills and a lot of laughs. The appearance of a mysterious new girl in school stops her classmates cold. Black Friday shopping gets out of control for a mother and daughter. And stands full of screaming and shouting Bleacher Weenies are about to make the ultimate sacrifice. Welcome to the Weenie Zone! Here are thirty-one hilarious and harrowing stories that will

scare you, make you laugh, or get you to see the world in a whole new way. Find out where the author got the idea for each story at the end of the book. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories. If you dare! "With its mix of humor and chills, this collection is a sure bet for fans of R. L. Stine's Goosebumps series and reluctant readers." —Booklist on Wipeout of the Wireless At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **True Talents**

If you could become anyone in the world, who would you be? Did you ever wish you could be anyone else but who you are? Twins Ryan and Taylor do it all the time. Now their dream is about to come true. They've discovered mysterious alien disks that allow them to "flip"--to become legendary heroes from the past. But who? At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Dead Guy Spy**

A collection of humorous stories involves some monstrous students, a levitation trick gone wrong, and a boring neighborhood.

### **Heroes Don't Run**

A boy discovers his neighborhood has turned into a Land of the Lawn Weenies. Sound peculiar? How

about zombies behind the counter of your local hamburger stand? A roadside motel where the guests are on the menu? A party where everyone who turns up is dead? One thing is certain: you're not in Kansas, anymore! Welcome to the PsychoZone. It's that midnight-of-the-mind place where the road to reality makes a sharp turn down a winding detour to the twisted world of the imagination. Just remember: There are no U-turns in the PsychoZone. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Teeny Weenies: The Intergalactic Petting Zoo**

Starting high school is never easy. Seniors take your lunch money. Girls you've known forever are suddenly beautiful and unattainable. The guys you grew up with are drifting away. And you can never get enough sleep. Could there be a worse time for Scott's mother to announce she's pregnant? Scott decides high school would be a lot less overwhelming if it came with a survival manual, so he begins to write down tips for his new sibling. Scott's chronicle of his first year of bullies, romance, honors classes, and brotherhood is both laugh-out-loud funny and touchingly wise.

### **Dunk**

Master of the macabre David Lubar is back with Check Out the Library Weenies, his ninth collection of Weenies Stories. Here are thirty more scary stories for

the middle grade audience--perfect for both avid and reluctant young readers who like a few chills and a lot of laughs. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories. If you dare! "Fans will be shivering and laughingevilly." —Kirkus Reviews on Strikeout of the Bleacher Weenies "With its mix of humor and chills, this collection is a sure bet for fans of R. L. Stine's Goosebumps series and reluctant readers." —Booklist on Wipeout of the Wireless Weenies "Whoever thinks the short story is dead, or that kids don't like short stories, hasn't talked to any real live kids and hasn't read the latest in this popular series." —School Library Journal on Attack of the Vampire Weenies Weenies Stories #1 In the Land of the Lawn Weenies and Other Misadventures #2 Invasion of the Road Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #3 The Curse of the Campfire Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #4 The Battle of the Red Hot Pepper Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #5 Attack of the Vampire Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #6 Beware the Ninja Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #7 Wipeout of the Wireless Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #8 Strikeout of the Bleacher Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales #9 Check Out the Library Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Check Out the Library Weenies**

Presents thirty-three stories about stranded aliens, a horrifying cheesemaker, a boy with the power to

make stars vanish, and other frightening things.

### **Monster Road**

Nathan is just getting started with his training for secret organization BUM when greasy green globs of goop start oozing from every faucet in town. Gross! When BUM asks Nathan to investigate, he and his friends Abigail and Mookie follow the trail to the smelliest place they can imagine—deep in the heart of the sewers of East Craven. And what they encounter there may end Nathan's career as a zombie spy before it has even begun....

### **Invasion of the Road Weenies**

American Library Association "Best Books for Young Adults" American Library Association "Quick Picks for Young Adults" Martin Anderson and his friends don't like being called losers. But they've been called that for so long even they start to believe it. Until Martin makes an incredible discovery: each of his friends has a special hidden talent. Edgeview Alternative School was supposed to be end of the road. But for Martin and his friends, it just might be a new beginning. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **My Rotten Life**

After waking up as a vampire, Sebastian, a student at Washington Irving Elementary School, has only one chance to turn back into a human and time is running

out.

### **Character, Driven**

Larry can't stop thinking about the growling dog in the alley. He already has three strays in his backyard. How can he afford to take care of another one? When his brother Paul points out a strange mark in the alley, Larry has a mystery to solve. What is the dog protecting? What is really going on in that dark alley?

### **Wipeout of the Wireless Weenies**

It's been over a year since fourteen-year-old Eddie "Trash" Thalmeyer and his friends from Edgeview Alternative School found out about their hidden talents. Trash can move things with his mind, Torchie is a firestarter, Cheater reads minds, Lucky finds lost objects, Flinch can predict the future, and Martin can see into people's souls. Now back home with their families, all the boys want to do is get back to their normal lives, start attending high school, and keep in touch with their friends from Edgeview. When Trash tests his power in a bank and accidentally steals a fistful of cash, he is kidnapped by the ruthless leader of a shadowy company whose purpose is to gather information about psychic phenomena-and who is willing to do anything to get it. Torchie, Cheater, Lucky, Flinch, and Martin join forces to rescue their friend using their hidden talents, and discover their true talents in the process.

### **The Big Stink**

When Angie, a student at Washington Irving Elementary School, turns into a witch, she must figure out how to pass the power along to the right person--before it lands in the hands of the wrong person.

### **Numbed!**

Thirty-three stories about clothes-eating bacteria, a zombie apocalypse, a monstrous butcher shop, and other frightening things. Includes notes on how the author got his ideas for these stories.

### **Simon Bloom, the Gravity Keeper**

"I WANTED TO SERVE, TO BE PART OF THIS THING MY FATHER HAD GIVEN HIS LIFE FOR. I DIDN'T WANT THE WAR TO END, AND ALL I'D BE ABLE TO SAY WAS, NO I DIDN'T SERVE, I WAS RIGHT HERE THE WHOLE WAR, SAFE IN BAKERSFIELD." Adam Pelko witnessed the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor that killed his father, a lieutenant on the USS Arizona. Even though Adam is underage, he defies his mother's wishes and enlists in the Marines. Sent first to boot camp, then to Okinawa, he experiences the stark reality of war firsthand -- the camaraderie and the glory as well as the grueling regimen, the paralyzing fear, and death. And at every turn, Adam must confront memories of his father. In the concluding volume of his World War II trilogy, Harry Mazer masterfully illustrates Adam's journey as he navigates brutal circumstances that no boy should know.

## **Encyclopedia Horrifica**

Presents thirty-three horror stories about such topics as warped technology, revengeful ants, sadistic gym teachers, and a brother's surprise for his sister's vampire friends.

## **Enter the Zombie**

Ed and his friends accidentally sign up for a playwriting contest, a dangerous activity for someone who possesses the Silver Center, and what they write is pretty strange, but when it comes to actually performing the play, Ed's magic coin lends new meaning to the words "stage fright."

## **Stage Fright**

When his wacky scientist uncle Ned accidentally uses his high-tech "life-ray" on a wacky old graveyard, Ned and Kevin are forced to skip town, with the reawakened monsters in hot pursuit.

## **The Curse of the Campfire Weenies**

A latest collection of offbeat and fantastical tales by the author of Invasion of the Road Weenies finds a family Thanksgiving meal interrupted by vengeful turkeys, a princess meeting a pea-brained suitor, and a battle between two weenies erupting in flames.

## **Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie**

A collection of thirty-five stories featuring such horrors as a monstrous Halloween costume, a midnight visit to a graveyard, and a hearing-impaired genie. Includes author's notes on how he got his ideas for these stories.

### **In the Land of the Lawn Weenies**

Presents thirty-five horror stories about pigeons, ancient predators, Girl Scouts, and other terrifying things.

### **True Talents**

The launch of a madcap space adventure trilogy for young readers by David Lubar, author of the popular Weenies Tales! When seventh grader Nicholas V. Landrew, his beloved pet gerbil Henrietta, and a package of ground beef are beamed aboard an alien space ship, they soon find themselves on the run in a madcap chase across the universe. Now all Nicholas wants to do is get back home before his parents find out and ground him forever, but with the Universal Police hot on his trail, that won't be easy. Before it's all over, Henrietta will find herself safely ensconced back in her cage, Nicholas will be crowned Emperor of the Universe, and something even more surprising will happen to the package of ground beef. "This book is ridiculous! Ridiculous crazy fun and deep truth."  
—Jon Scieszka, bestselling author of the Time Warp Trio series "What do you get when you combine a 7th grader, a gerbil, a package of ground beef, and an alien space ship on a chase across the universe?"

David Lubar's latest masterpiece, of course!" —Dan Gutman, bestselling author of the My Weird School series "David Lubar's Emperor of the Universe is The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy for middle school!" —Alan Gratz, bestselling author of Refugee At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Strikeout of the Bleacher Weenies**

Like other students at Washington Irving Elementary School, Norman has literally become a monster but after learning how to return to normal, he is not sure he wants to give up being a werewolf.

### **The Vanishing Vampire**

An alternate history and fantasy tale set in the Age of Exploration 500 years in the past finds alchemist Christopher Sinclair obsessively pursuing a substance that he believes will grant magical powers and immortality, a quest that brings him to the edge of the world and unites him with an inquisition-fleeing physician and the physician's daughter. 20,000 first printing.

### **The Wavering Werewolf**

Meet the Teeny Weenies! A boy and his sister visit a petting zoo that is out of this world. A community pool fills up with bullies. And the Fourth of July starts off with a BOOM! Young chapter book readers ages 7 to 10, reluctant readers, and fans of very short stories

will be entertained and delighted by these twelve zany tales by award-winning author David Lubar. Wacky comic book style illustrations by Bill Mayer add to the fun. David Lubar is the master of the short story for kids. He has written many short story collections for middle grade readers, including *The Battle of the Red Hot Pepper Weenies and Other Warped and Creepy Tales*. Now he's back with short stories for the chapter book audience. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### **Sophomores and Other Oxymorons**

In this second installment of the hilarious Nathan Abercrombie, *Accidental Zombie* series by popular author David Lubar, fifth-grader Nathan Abercrombie becomes the world's first zombie spy. Nathan Abercrombie is getting used to his rotten life as a half-dead zombie. The good thing is he doesn't feel any pain. The bad thing is his body can't heal, so he has to be really careful not to break anything. But that's hard to do when his wrestling-obsessed gym teacher, Mr. Lomux, matches him up with Rodney the bully, who's looking for any excuse to break his bones. Then one day, Nathan is approached by the secret organization B.U.M.—aka the Bureau of Useful Misadventures—which offers him a cure in exchange for his help. Nathan jumps at the chance to become the world's first zombie spy, but soon discovers that B.U.M. isn't quite what it seems. Can Nathan trust them? At the Publisher's request, this title is being

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### **Flip**

Logan and his friend Benedict run into the wrong guy at the library'literally. When Logan slams into the reference guy in the basement and gives him a little lip, Logan gets punished, really and truly punished. He has three days to complete three tasks before Professor Wordsworth will lift the magical punishment that keeps getting Logan in even more trouble.

### **The Gloomy Ghost**

When Logan's class takes a trip to a math museum, his mischievous friend Benedict is sure it will be a boring day?until he discovers a robot and its creator in an off-limits area. The robot proves feisty, and soon both boys get zapped. They realize only later that they'd left the museum without their math skills. To get back the knowledge they need for school?not to mention buying food at the mall, divvying up dinner at home, and much more?they'll have to get back to the museum and pass a series of math challenges. Being ?numbed? teaches Logan and Benedict just how useful, and even fun, math can be.

### **Quintessence**

When Gregor learns the ancient prophecy foretelling his death, he must gather his courage to defend Regalia and take his mother and sister home safely.

## **Punished!**

Sixth-grader Simon Bloom can't believe his luck when he finds a book that enables him to control the laws of physics. By simply reciting the formulas it contains, he can cancel gravity to fly around his bedroom, or decrease friction so he can slide down the street as if he were on Rollerblades. When two thugs with evil intentions come after Simon, he must use the formulas to save himself and the book from falling into their hands. This funny, fast, and imaginative novel from first-time author Michael Reisman will appeal to fans of both fantasy and action-adventure.

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