

# The Curse Of The Campfire Weenies And Other Warped And Creepy Tales

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Dive into the unsettling depths of 'The Curse Of The Campfire Weenies And Other Warped And Creepy Tales,' a chilling collection of scary short stories guaranteed to send shivers down your spine. This horror anthology features not only the bizarre campfire weenies stories that give the title its unforgettable flair, but also a host of other truly creepy tales that are both warped and darkly humorous. Prepare for an unforgettable journey into the strange and terrifying.

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## The Curse of the Campfire Weenies

Award-winning storyteller David Lubar's third collection of warped and creepy tales, in which the young protagonists encounter monsters of every kind, from a thirsty vampire and wandering ghost to a dreaded math teacher and overly enthusiastic Girl Scout leader. A boy discovers the answer to one of the great urban mysteries: why are pigeons always pooping in parks? A second-grade class learns why they should always be nice to their math teacher....An ancient predator uses the internet to search out its prey... A young girl and her little brother escape a campfire weenie only to encounter something even more terrifying: a troop of Girl Scouts singing campfire songs. For this, his third collection of warped and creepy "weenie" tales, critically-acclaimed author and master of the macabre David Lubar traveled deep into the shadowy corners of his mind, looking for new ways to amuse and terrify his readers. And in the tradition of *In the Land of the Lawn Weenies* and *Invasion of the Road Weenies*, he reveals the inspiration behind each of the thirty-five stories at the end of the book. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

## Invasion of the Road Weenies

These 35 tales range from silly to horrifying. As an added bonus at the end of the book, the author provides a behind-the-scenes look at the inspirations for the stories in this collection.

## Invasion of the Road Weenies

*Invasion of the Road Weenies*, a collection of warped and creepy tales ranging from the silly and offbeat to flat-out horrifying from the award-winning storyteller and master of the macabre, David Lubar. A town is overrun by road weenies--a.k.a. joggers--who never smile. A girl thinks she's too old for Halloween...until she finds a special pair of gloves. A boy takes a shortcut to an unexpected place. A mummy takes his revenge, one little piece at a time.... Welcome to the weird and wacky world of

award-winning storyteller and master of the macabre, David Lubar. These thirty-five tales ranging from the silly and offbeat to flat-out horrifying are just right for reading alone or for telling aloud in the dark. As an added bonus at the end of the book, David answers the question most frequently asked of writers with a behind-the-scenes look at the various ways he got the ideas for the stories in this collection. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories. If you dare! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

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

A girl doesn't have a date for the school dance—until her dad makes one for her in his lab. "Lily—meet Stitchy." A family enjoys a nice Thanksgiving dinner—until they are interrupted by a torrent of turkeys out for revenge. A princess meets a pea-brained suitor. And the battle of two red hot pepper weenies ends in flames. Critically-acclaimed author and master of the macabre David Lubar returns from a journey into the darkest depths of his brain with thirty-five more warped and creepy tales. And in the tradition of the three previous Weenie collections—In the Land of the Lawn Weenies, Invasion of the Road Weenies, and The Curse of the Campfire Weenies—he reveals the inspiration behind each story at the end of the book. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories...if you dare! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

#### In the Land of the Lawn Weenies

Creepy stories for young adult readers.

#### Beware the Ninja Weenies

Welcome to the Weenie Zone! Acclaimed author David Lubar is back with Beware the Ninja Weenies, his sixth collection of Warped and Creepy Tales—a series of spooky stories for young readers. Stranded aliens seek out Earth's most intelligent species. (Hint: It's not us.) A bully discovers the meaning of "spatial displacement." Two girls find out why you should never annoy a witch. When a swarm of sneaking, slashing, scurrying ninja weenies invades their neighborhood, a boy and his best friend find a way to fight back. Here are thirty-three hilarious and harrowing stories that will scare you, make you laugh, or see the world in a whole new way. Find out where David got the idea for each story at the end of the book. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories. If you dare! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

#### Attack of the Vampire Weenies

Critically acclaimed author and master of the macabre, David Lubar, is back with Attack of the Vampire Weenies, featuring thirty more warped and creepy tales for fans of his bestselling Weenies story collections. A boy steals a ticket to an amusement park and gets the ride of a lifetime—literally. The first day of middle school turns into a free-for-all when the gym teacher offers a "get-out-of-gym-free" card. Sick of his sister's vampire wannabe friends, a kid decides to teach them a lesson at their next party. But the tables are turned when some surprise guests show up. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories. If you dare! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

#### In the Land of the Lawn Weenies

Kids can be such monsters. Literally. From the award-winning author of Hidden Talents, two remarkable short story collections - Kidzilla and The Witch's Monkey - together for the first time. Plus several brand new stories. Each hilarious and harrowing. A substitute teacher finds out she has some monsters for students. A group of kids attempt a levitation trick with hair-raising results. A neighborhood is so boring the grown ups are turning into...well...you know. And dozens more. So 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.

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

A collection of thirty-five creepy stories.

#### Check Out the Library Weenies

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 laughing...evilly." —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.

### Strikeout of the Bleacher Weenies

*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.

### Wipeout of the Wireless Weenies

For use in schools and libraries only. 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.

### Extremities

Master of the macabre David Lubar turns his attention to dark and twisted tales for teens with *Extremities: Stories of Death, Murder, and Revenge*. A group of high school girls takes revenge on their sadistic gym teacher in the most fitting way possible. Two stowaways find themselves on a ship for the dead. An ancient predator stalks the wrong victim. Here are thirteen tales of death, murder, and revenge from the fertile and febrile imagination of master storyteller David Lubar—his first story collection for the teen audience.

### True Talents

It's been over a year since fourteen-year-old Eddie "Trash" Thalmeyer and his friends from Edgeview Alternative School found out about their special hidden talents. Trash can move things with his mind, Torchie is a fire-starter, 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. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### Hell's Angels

Gonzo journalist and literary roustabout Hunter S. Thompson flies with the angels—Hell’s Angels, that is—in this short work of nonfiction. “California, Labor Day weekend . . . early, with ocean fog still in the streets, outlaw motorcyclists wearing chains, shades and greasy Levis roll out from damp garages, all-night diners and cast-off one-night pads in Frisco, Hollywood, Berdoo and East Oakland, heading for the Monterey peninsula, north of Big Sur. . . The Menace is loose again.” Thus begins Hunter S. Thompson’s vivid account of his experiences with California’s most notorious motorcycle gang, the Hell’s Angels. In the mid-1960s, Thompson spent almost two years living with the controversial Angels, cycling up and down the coast, reveling in the anarchic spirit of their clan, and, as befits their name, raising hell. His book successfully captures a singular moment in American history, when the biker lifestyle was first defined, and when such countercultural movements were electrifying and horrifying America. Thompson, the creator of Gonzo journalism, writes with his usual bravado, energy, and brutal honesty, and with a nuanced and incisive eye; as *The New Yorker* pointed out, “For all its uninhibited and sardonic humor, Thompson’s book is a thoughtful piece of work.” As illuminating now as when originally published in 1967, *Hell’s Angels* is a gripping portrait, and the best account we have of the truth behind an American legend.

### Beware the Ninja Weenies

Thirty-three stories about stranded aliens, a horrifying cheesemaker, a boy with the power to make stars vanish, and other frightening things. Includes notes on how the author got his ideas for these stories.

### Teeny Weenies: Freestyle Frenzy

Meet the Teeny Weenies! Suspiciously swift swimmers at a school swim meet cause a frenzy. A boy who likes to litter finally gets the meaning of Earth Day. A girl and her dad go on a fishing trip and catch the surprise of a lifetime. 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.

### Teeny Weenies: The Intergalactic Petting Zoo

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!

### Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie

Freaks and bullies, classes and crushes, this is high school. Starting high school is never easy. Seniors take your lunch money. Girls you’ve known forever are suddenly beautiful and unattainable. 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. Meanwhile, he’s trying his best to capture the attention of Julia, the freshman goddess. In the process, Scott manages to become involved in nearly everything the school has to offer. So while he tries to find his place in the confusing world of high school, win Julia’s heart, and keep his sanity, Scott will be recording all the details for his sibling’s—and your—enjoyment. Read the companion novel *Sophomores and Other Oxydorons* coming August 2015

### Guys Write for Guys Read

For use in schools and libraries only. There's something for every guy in this collection of stories, mini-memoirs, advice, poems, comics and drawings chosen by readers on the Guys Read web site.

### Hyde and Shriek

There's something strange going on at Washington Irving Elementary School. People are turning into monsters—literally! Ms. Clevis is one of the most popular teachers at Washington Irving. Until the morning she accidentally puts some of the wrong ingredients into her breakfast smoothie. Suddenly she finds herself switching back and forth between mean substitute teacher Ms. Hyde and a sweet sixth grade girl named Jackie. Will Jackie figure out the cure before she changes into the horrible Ms. Hyde forever? Find out in David Lubar's *Hyde and Shriek*. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### The Vanishing Vampire

There's something strange going on at Washington Irving Elementary School. People are turning into monsters—literally! In *The Vanishing Vampire*, Sebastian's life has become a real pain in the neck. It all started the night he walked home from the movies by himself. He sort of blacked out and the next morning, he woke up as a vampire. Now he has only one chance to turn back into a human. And time is running out.... With its blend of humor and horror, David Lubar's middle-grade monsterific tales series will appeal to the same audience that has made his *Weenies* short story collections such a success. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### Hidden Talents

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.

### Buyology

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** • "A fascinating look at how consumers perceive logos, ads, commercials, brands, and products."—*Time* How much do we know about why we buy? What truly influences our decisions in today's message-cluttered world? In *Buyology*, Martin Lindstrom presents the astonishing findings from his groundbreaking three-year, seven-million-dollar neuromarketing study—a cutting-edge experiment that peered inside the brains of 2,000 volunteers from all around the world as they encountered various ads, logos, commercials, brands, and products. His startling results shatter much of what we have long believed about what captures our interest—and drives us to buy. Among the questions he explores: • Does sex actually sell? • Does subliminal advertising still surround us? • Can "cool" brands trigger our mating instincts? • Can our other senses—smell, touch, and sound—be aroused when we see a product? *Buyology* is a fascinating and shocking journey into the mind of today's consumer that will captivate anyone who's been seduced—or turned off—by marketers' relentless attempts to win our loyalty, our money, and our minds.

### Emperor of the Universe

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.

### Noisy Outlaws, Unfriendly Blobs, and Some Other Things That Aren't As Scary

A collection of stories for wise young people and immature old people! A collection of stories for wise young people and immature old people, written by today's best authors spinning new tales. Each story features fullcolor illustrations by artists including Barry Blitt, Lane Smith, David Heatley, and Marcel Dzama. The collection includes previously unpublished children's stories from Jonathan Safran Foer (Everything Is Illuminated), Nick Hornby (High Fidelity), Neil Gaiman (Sandman), George Saunders (CivilWarLand in Bad Decline), Kell Link (Stranger Things Happen), and Jon Scieszka (The Stinky Cheese Man).

### My Rotten Life

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.

### Sophomores and Other Oxymorons

A hilarious follow-up to the perennial favorite Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie. Scott Hudson has somehow managed to survive Freshman year. But with a new baby brother in the house and a whole host of adventures awaiting him at school, Sophomore year promises to be anything but boring. An honest and funny follow-up to the popular Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie, award-winning author David Lubar pens a tale that perfectly captures the ridiculous, tumultuous, and sometimes heartbreaking truths about high school.

### Dunk

While hoping to work as the clown in an amusement park dunk tank on the New Jersey shore the summer before his junior year in high school, Chad faces his best friend's serious illness, hassles with police, and the girl that got away.

### Teeny Weenies: My Favorite President

Celebrate the holidays with Teeny Weenies: My Favorite President! David Lubar is the master of the short story for kids. Now he's back with his fourth collection of Teeny Weenies stories, just in time for the winter holidays! 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. Wacky comic book style illustrations by Bill Mayer add to the fun. Don't be a weenie. Read these stories! If you dare! At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### The Prince and the Sphinx

When Prince Thutmose visits the Pyramids of Giza, he discovers the head of the Sphinx sticking out of the sand. To his surprise, the Sphinx tells him he will do great things for Egypt. Will the Sphinx's words come true, or is Thutmose simply dreaming?

### Life of Zarf: Troll Overboard

Land of Stories meets Dork Diaries in the third book of the hilarious fractured fairy tale series about an unpopular troll and his underdog pals As a troll, Zarf is already at the bottom of the food chain when it comes to popularity at Cotswin Middle School. So when his Gramps shows up at career day, Zarf is

sure his cool factor will hit an all-time low. What he doesn't expect is for the super-obnoxious Prince Roquefort to take an interest in Gramps's nautical know-how. Zarf is sure the prince is up to something . . . but why would he want Gramps to take him on a boat ride perilously close to the Berundi Rectangle? And why does he keep mumbling about magic beans? Award-winning comic creator Rob Harrell has cooked up another laugh-out-loud funny fairy-tale romp. Packed with witty one-liners and clever twists on fairy-tale tropes, this series is pure magic for fans of *The Decedents*.

### How Angel Peterson Got His Name

Author Gary Paulsen relates tales from his youth in a small town in northwestern Minnesota in the late 1940s and early 1950s, such as skiing behind a souped-up car and imitating daredevil Evel Knievel.

### Teaching Young Adult Literature

*Teaching Young Adult Literature: Developing Students As World Citizens* (by Thomas W. Bean, Judith Dunkerly-Bean, and Helen Harper) is a middle and secondary school methods text that introduces pre-service teachers in teacher credential programs and in-service teachers pursuing a Masters degree in Education to the field of young adult literature for use in contemporary contexts. The text introduces teachers to current research on adolescent life and literacy; the new and expanding genres of young adult literature; teaching approaches and practical strategies for using young adult literature in English and Language Arts secondary classrooms and in Content Area Subjects (e.g. History); and ongoing social, political and pedagogical issues of English and Language Arts classrooms in relation to contemporary young adult literature.

### Short & Shivery

Make story time a little spookier with this Halloween-themed collection of ghost stories, spooky shorts, and frightening folktales from all over the world! "No one travels these roads after dark. Those who are found the next day, if they are still alive, will have gone mad." Chills and thrills to make your flesh crawl with fear! Turn the lights down low and grab your favorite reading chair. But first, you'd better check behind you. . . . Ghosts, monsters, murders, and madmen! These thirty stories have been collected for your reading displeasure from all over the globe, and represent the world's best scary stories and frightening folktales, featuring famous authors such as Washington Irving and the Brothers Grimm. Welcome to a chilling world of hair-raising tales!

### Character, Driven

*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 At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### Article 5

New York, Los Angeles, and Washington, D.C., have been abandoned. The Bill of Rights has been revoked, and replaced with the Moral Statutes. There are no more police—instead, there are soldiers. There are no more fines for bad behavior—instead, there are arrests, trials, and maybe worse. People who get arrested usually don't come back. Seventeen-year-old Ember Miller is old enough to remember

that things weren't always this way. Living with her rebellious single mother, it's hard for her to forget that people weren't always arrested for reading the wrong books or staying out after dark. It's hard to forget that life in the United States used to be different. Ember has perfected the art of keeping a low profile. She knows how to get the things she needs, like food stamps and hand-me-down clothes, and how to pass the random home inspections by the military. Her life is as close to peaceful as circumstances allow. That is, until her mother is arrested for noncompliance with Article 5 of the Moral Statutes. And one of the arresting officers is none other than Chase Jennings...the only boy Ember has ever loved. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

### Punished!

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.

### Meltdown Madness: A Branches Book (Looniverse #2)

Looniverse #2 is even wackier than the first book! This series is part of Scholastic's early chapter book line called Branches, which is aimed at newly independent readers. With easy-to-read text, high-interest content, fast-paced plots, and illustrations on every page, these books will boost reading confidence and stamina. Branches books help readers grow! Ed has to sell chocolate bars to raise money for his soccer team, but the bars have all melted. He must find another way to raise money--and fast! Ed uses his newfound ability to make strange things happen, but his plans go awry and Ed ends up needing money for the soccer team, his friend Mouse, AND two new windows! With surreal and funny antics throughout, the second book in this heavily illustrated early chapter book series is sure to keep kids laughing.

### Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet

"Sentimental, heartfelt....the exploration of Henry's changing relationship with his family and with Keiko will keep most readers turning pages...A timely debut that not only reminds readers of a shameful episode in American history, but cautions us to examine the present and take heed we don't repeat those injustices."-- Kirkus Reviews "A tender and satisfying novel set in a time and a place lost forever, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* gives us a glimpse of the damage that is caused by war--not the sweeping damage of the battlefield, but the cold, cruel damage to the hearts and humanity of individual people. Especially relevant in today's world, this is a beautifully written book that will make you think. And, more importantly, it will make you feel." -- Garth Stein, New York Times bestselling author of *The Art of Racing in the Rain* "Jamie Ford's first novel explores the age-old conflicts between father and son, the beauty and sadness of what happened to Japanese Americans in the Seattle area during World War II, and the depths and longing of deep-heart love. An impressive, bitter, and sweet debut." -- Lisa See, bestselling author of *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* In the opening pages of Jamie Ford's stunning debut novel, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*, Henry Lee comes upon a crowd gathered outside the Panama Hotel, once the gateway to Seattle's Japantown. It has been boarded up for decades, but now the new owner has made an incredible discovery: the belongings of Japanese families, left when they were rounded up and sent to internment camps during World War II. As Henry looks on, the owner opens a Japanese parasol. This simple act takes old Henry Lee back to the 1940s, at the height of the war, when young Henry's world is a jumble of confusion and excitement, and to his father, who is obsessed with the war in China and having Henry grow up American. While "scholarshipping" at the exclusive Rainier Elementary, where the white kids ignore him, Henry meets Keiko Okabe, a young Japanese American student. Amid the chaos of blackouts, curfews, and FBI raids, Henry and Keiko forge a bond of friendship--and innocent love--that transcends the long-standing prejudices of their Old World ancestors. And after Keiko and her family are swept up in the evacuations to the internment camps, she and Henry are left only with the hope that the war will end, and that their promise to each other will be kept. Forty years later, Henry Lee is certain that the parasol belonged to Keiko. In the hotel's dark dusty basement he begins looking for signs of the Okabe family's belongings and for a long-lost object whose value he cannot begin to measure. Now a widower, Henry is still trying to find his voice--words that might explain the actions of his nationalistic father; words that might bridge the gap between him and his modern, Chinese American son; words that might help him confront the



choices he made many years ago. Set during one of the most conflicted and volatile times in American history, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* is an extraordinary story of commitment and enduring hope. In *Henry and Keiko*, Jamie Ford has created an unforgettable duo whose story teaches us of the power of forgiveness and the human heart. **BONUS:** This edition contains a *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* discussion guide and an excerpt from Jamie Ford's *Love and Other Consolation Prizes*.