An Anthology of Stories

By Mrs Bushell's Grade 4 Class

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THE AMAZING ADVENTURE OF MORIAH ELIZABETH

by

Fiona

Moriah Elizabeth was in the middle of making a video when she saw it. Outside her window in the big blue sky, was a big, bold, and beautiful rainbow! She rushed outside to get a closer look. It was so bold and wasn't faded at all.

Moriah Elizabeth was her name. Moriah's initials were M.E., which happens to spell 'me.' She had a cat named Opie, she was a youtuber (which is what she did for a living), she was twenty-five, she LOVED rainbows, and had a very UNHEALTHY obsession with sprinkles. She had a 'CREATE THIS BOOK' series.

Her YouTube channel was where people sent fan mail. People often had used, broken, unwanted squishies that they sent to her to get a makeover and make them even BETTER than they ever were before. Anyway... that was when Moriah decided to follow the rainbow to see what was at the end of it. There could be gold, or diamonds, or a lifetime supply of sprinkles (*GASP*) or even better... A LIFETIME SUPPLY OF ART SUPPLIES!!!

Moriah knew it was going to be a long trip so she needed to pack. Moriah decided to pack everything in her backpack. She brought a big jug of water... (ya gotta stay hydrated).

She packed a camera to take pictures, her cat Opie, and lots of snacks. She also packed a drawing book, a sleeping bag, a tiny tent for obvious reasons, and fake gold coins (keep reading and you'll find out why). There: she was all set. But wait! What would she travel on? She couldn't go on foot. That would have been tiring. Hmmm. Okay, she would drive. She needed to bring an extra tire just in case one popped. She would also bring her bike and roller skates.

Finally, it was time to go. Moriah grabbed Opie, put everything in the car, and off she went! Moriah had not gotten far when she

remembered something. She forgot her tiny tent! She turned around and a whole crowd of her fans saw her! She tried her best to hide her face, but it wasn't any good. Her fans were asking her for a photo with her. They even asked for her autograph! Once all of that was out of the way, she finally reached her house. She grabbed the tiny tent, got back in the car, and drove off. She was driving for about an hour now and it was getting dark. She found a nice spot to stop at and she put up the tiny tent and her sleeping bag, had dinner, and dozed off to sleep.

The next day... Moriah was awakened by Opie sitting on her face and meowing. Moriah thought it was early, but when she looked at the time, it was already 9:30. Moriah was so surprised at the time she had wasted that she jumped out of bed, got dressed, and fed Opie and herself. She let Opie go to the bathroom, which was a really nice bathroom (just kidding, it was not even a real bathroom... it was just nature). Moriah packed up her things, hopped in the car, and drove off (AGAIN).

Moriah had only been driving a half an hour when she heard Opie meowing again.

So Moriah stopped on the side of the road and let Opie out to do his business. He was wasting time swatting at birds and jumping around, making it difficult to catch him. Moriah eventually caught Opie and put him back in the car. Now that she was back on the road AGAIN, she was almost at the rainbow!!

Two hours later... *GASP*! There were hideous goblins in the middle of the road!!!! At first, Moriah didn't know what to do! Should she run them over? Should she go the other way?

Moriah got a good idea! She could throw some of the fake gold coins that she brought!! So Moriah got the coins, hopped out of the car, and started taunting them with the fake gold coins. Once they started walking towards her, she threw them to the far side of the road! And sure enough, they ran to get the coins, taking just enough time for her to zoom off in her car! The real reason Moriah brought the coins was so that if there was a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow and a leprechaun was guarding it, she could distract the leprechaun to get the coins and replace them with fake coins and get out of there.

Thirty minutes later... "We're heeere!!!" Moriah said with a squeal! She had reached her goal!! Moriah was just getting out of the car when she saw a unicorn trapped by a leprechaun!!! So Moriah did the same thing with the leprechaun that she did with the goblins. She got her coins out and taunted the leprechaun and when it was walking towards her, she threw the coins as far as she could. The leprechaun raced to go find each and every one. Then Moriah rushed to set the unicorn free. The unicorn was so happy that she gave her a genie to grant all of Moriah's wishes and dreams.



And now for the moment we've all been waiting for... Moriah slowly walked to the big shiny black cauldron in the middle of a clearing at the end of the rainbow. She lifted the lid not only to find gold coins and diamonds, but a lifetime supply of sprinkles AND a lifetime supply of ART SUPPLIES!!!!!! Moriah was so excited that she dumped out the entire cauldron and started rolling around in the pile! There were white squishies to paint on, matte fabric paint, slick fabric paint, gold, and diamonds... more than anyone could imagine!

Moriah put everything back in the cauldron to carry it back to the car. But when Moriah picked it up, it didn't move one bit. Moriah went to the car to find something to put everything in. Luckily, she found a big plastic witch's cauldron left over from Halloween. So she put everything in that plastic cauldron. This



time when she picked it up, it was still heavy but light enough for her to carry it back to the car. She put it in a safe spot in the trunk, got in the car and drove off!



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The next day... YAY Moriah you did it!! Moriah was home and she was super tired from her long journey to the end of the rainbow. So she went to bed and in the morning, she would play with her new toys and her genie! Moriah hopped into bed and quickly dozed off to sleep.

THE END.

CHIP THE SQUIRREL'S ADVENTURE

by Amy Hi, my name is Chip the squirrel and I have two brothers and no sister. It is really fun living in a tree. I love it because it is so high. My brothers' names are Sebastian and Bob. By the way, I love nuts so much that I will do anything for nuts.

I live in a cherry tree and I plan to hide peanuts in someone's yard today. I am also going to my brother Bob's funeral today because yesterday we were eating, and my brother got a huge cherry and choked on the pit.



Today is Friday and we are eating nuts but there are no more nuts in the bowl. My brother Sebastian tells me to go get nuts from the human house. I am so scared to go to the human's house, but I love nuts so much, so I guess all I have to do is go for it. My brother sees a big door and tells me to go inside it. I try to, but it is too big to open so we have to find a different way in.

We have to find a way into the human's house, so Sebastian found the doggie door. Sebastian and I go through the doggie door.

The human house looks so cool inside because there is so much stuff and so much food in the kitchen. '*Okay, now we have to find the nuts and get out of here!*' I think to myself.

"Hey Sebastian, over here. I think I found the nuts. Okay, now let's get out of here, Sebastian. You go first and then I will go, okay? Wait! Sebastian, I think I see a dog over there. Be careful, okay? Sebastian! Run! Sebastian!" I shout. "Sebastian, I think the dog is after us. Sebastian, run!!!! Wait, the dog stopped chasing us. I think we can stop running now," I say.

Then Sebastian asks, "Hey Chip, where are the nuts?"

I laugh and say, "Oh, the nuts... I kind of ate them all."

As we are walking home, we pass a huge walnut tree. Luckily for us, the tree is FULL of walnuts! We have enough nuts to last us all winter.

THE END.

A SUZY SHEEP STORY

by Charlotte Suzy Sheep was a nurse. She was a happy sheep, and a good friend like Peppa. She was kind and liked to help her friends. She wasn't as good around Peppa's brother George because he was little. She thought George was too little for her to play with.

Today was George's birthday. George had been dreaming about eating ice cream cake since his last birthday. Mommy Pig was busy baking, wrapping presents, and decorating for George's big day. George kept interrupting Mommy Pig. Mommy Pig asked Peppa to take George to the playground so she could get everything ready for George's special day.

Peppa and George were at the playground. Peppa saw a flash of light heading towards the playground where George was playing. She tried to warn George by yelling to him, "George run away!" It was too late and George hid in the slide.

It was a space meteor! The meteor crashed into the grass close to the playground where they were playing and shook the ground. George tumbled out of the slide and fell. Peppa ran to George. George was crying. He had hurt something. Peppa also hurt something in the meteor crash and running to George hurt her even more. Policeman Freddie Fox was out patrolling the

neighbourhood and heard George's cries. He stopped to help. Peppa asked Freddie for a ride to the hospital.

When they got to the hospital, Freddie told Suzy what happened. Suzy asked George where it hurt but George wouldn't answer Suzy. He was too upset. Suzy helped Peppa because Peppa had broken her leg. Peppa was really mad and she wouldn't let Suzy touch her because it hurt. Suzy told Peppa that she had to stay in the hospital for two weeks and that she couldn't do anything until her leg got better. Suzy left to go help another kid.

George walked into the hospital room. He thought he had broken his arm. This made George upset. He wouldn't let anyone look at his arm. Suzy told George that he would have to stay in the hospital for four weeks. George climbed up on the bed beside Peppa. They were going to be roommates for a while. George asked Peppa to tell him what happened to her leg.

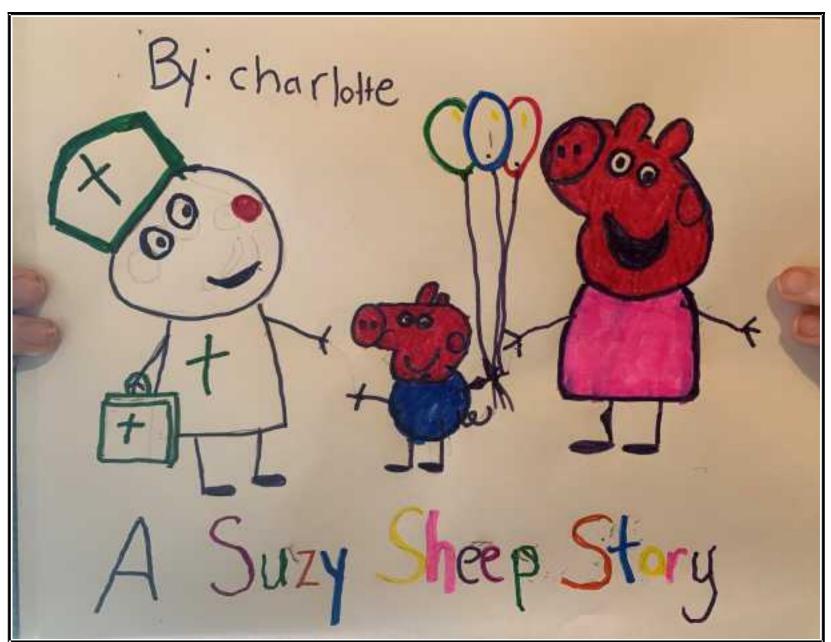
Suzy was getting a cup of tea with Doctor Brown Bear. She baked cookies yesterday and brought them to work to share with everyone. She saw George talking to Peppa. She thought that if George ate a cookie, he would feel better and let her see his arm. After all, it was lunchtime. She got George and Peppa some spaghetti, juice, and peanut butter sandwiches. She brought George a cookie to help make him feel better so he would talk to her and she could fix his arm. She said, "Lunchtime! Happy Birthday!"

George loved cookies. He felt better. Suzy Sheep put a birthday candle in his cookie. George was happy and remembered it was his birthday, even with a broken arm. Suzy got to put a cast on his arm, and on Peppa's leg.

Then, Suzy Sheep gave them both a flu shot! That didn't make them happy, but Suzy said it was important to be healthy. Suzy was a great nurse.

Mommy and Daddy Pig arrived with ice cream cake and presents. Ice cream cake gave Daddy Pig a round tummy. "Ho ho ho!" said Daddy Pig.

THE END.



SPACE CAT

by Makena

BOOM!

'Oh great,' Cleo thought, 'What did her brother Jack do this time?' When she got to the kitchen, she found that there was a huge hole in the back of the microwave, pasta sauce everywhere, and a bowl of pasta sauce and noodles with a spoon in it. Cleo stomped downstairs to find her brother who was in the den playing video games. "How many times do I have to tell you not to put metal in the microwave?" she yelled. "Now, help me clean up this mess."

"Ugh, fine," he said.

Cleo was a twenty-year-old Siamese cat who lived in a house in Cattopia and had a little brother who was eight years old. Today she was babysitting her little brother because her parents were at work. Cleo's dad worked at an office and her mom worked as a nurse in a hospital. Today they couldn't watch Jack, her little brother.

She was about to clean up the kitchen when the phone rang.

It was the cat's international space station and they wanted her to go on a mission in space. Cleo drove her brother to her parents' house and called a babysitter. As soon as the babysitter arrived, Cleo jumped into her car and drove to the cat's international space station. There was a man waiting for her, "Is your name Cleo Hunter?" he asked.

"Yes, I am," Cleo answered in a shy voice.

"Good. You will be joining us in a couple *of* weeks for the rocket launch to space. Your room is on floor three, room eight," he said. She was going to thank him, but he had disappeared. Cleo went to her room to rest and quickly fell asleep.

The next morning, she woke up to the sound of the leader blowing his whistle and telling them to start training. For the next few weeks, they were training, learning how to control the rockets and learning about the trip to space. They had an assembly and the leader announced the three people that were chosen to pilot the rocket.

"Everyone, thank you for coming. The three people who will be piloting the rocket will be: Jackson Galt, Cleo Hunter, and Rachel Hood. We launch at sunset. Jackson, Cleo and Rachel, come with me and the rest of you go to your rooms."

"Yes, sir," everybody answered.

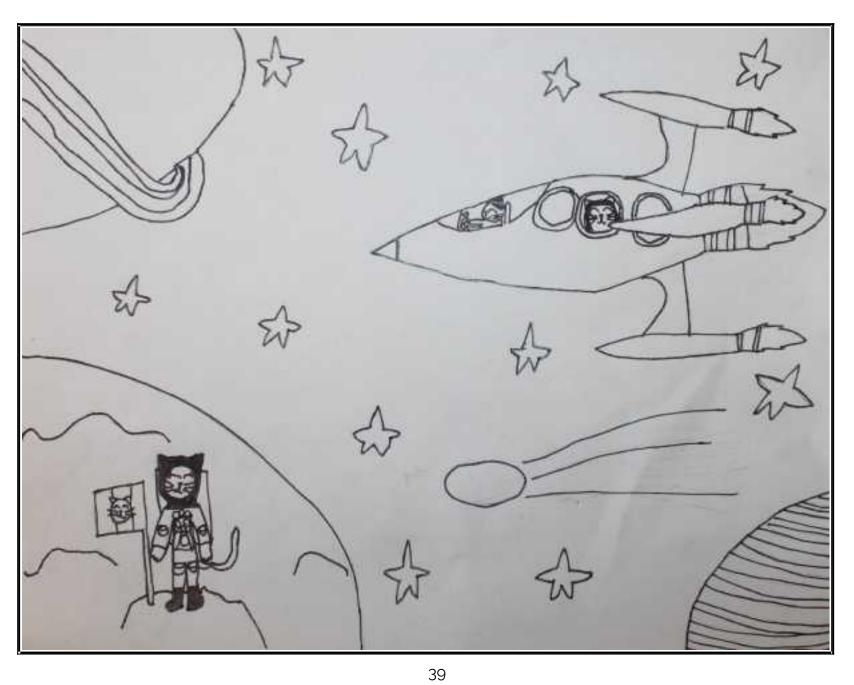
Cleo and the other pilots followed the leader to a place with tons of clothes and space gear. "Put on your space gear and meet me at the rocket in half an hour."

After they got dressed, they met their captain at the rocket and he told them to get in. "Be ready to blast off," he said.

"Three... two... one... blast off," yelled the computer.

'Wow. We are on our way into space,' Cleo thought.

As soon as they got there, the captain asked, "Who wants to land on the planet?"



Before anyone else could, Cleo raised her hand, so the teacher chose her. As she started going out the door, the tag that let her stay attached to the rocket ripped and she didn't notice. Now Cleo was on the surface of the planet. Then, she realized that her tag had ripped and the rocket was flying off back to Earth. Cleo ran to it, but it was too late. The rocket blasted off to Earth. "NOOO!" Cleo yelled.

With no rocket, Cleo had no idea how she was going to get home. Maybe she could try to build a new one. Cleo tried to find something to make a rocket, but it was useless. There was nothing but sand, sand, and more sand. 'Hmm,' she thought, 'how can I get back to Earth?' Then she found one more huge problem. She was running out of air!

Suddenly, Cleo heard a noise that sounded like music. She ran to the sound and found a huge group of alien-cats having a big birthday bash for a little alien-kitty. Cleo was flabbergasted (that means she couldn't believe her eyes). She had discovered alien life forms, but Cleo still didn't know how she was going to get back to Earth.

Back at the space station, they did not know where Cleo was. The people in the rocket did not know where Cleo was but they knew that they had left her at one of the planets. The problem was that they did not know which one. One was hot and sandy, one was cold and icy, and one was rainy and looked like a forest. Cleo was lost in one of them. How would they find her? They decided to go to the hot and sandy one because that was where her signal was coming from. One of them went down in a mini rocket and not a moment too soon. When she got there, she found Cleo being chased by a group of angry aliens!

Cleo jumped into the rocket and they flew to the bigger rocket. Then, they went back to Earth where a big crowd of fans was waiting for them.

THE END.

THE BAT LEADER

by Hazel I was flying one night when an owl started chasing me. I tried to get away from the owl safely, but the owl was way too fast. Then I found a dead tree with a hole in it, so I flew into the dead tree. The hole in the tree was too tiny for the owl to fit in, so it flew away. I was happy that the owl flew away, but I was lost.

I am a little brown bat and I can't handle snakes, litter, and people. I live in some woods far from any city. My dream is to be the leader of The League of Agent Bats but when I try to get in, the doors are way too big for me to push open.

I was born in a cage because I was someone's pet and it was terrible. One day, when my owner went to feed me, he left my cage door open so I quickly flew out of my cage. Soon my owner came back and saw that I was not in my cage anymore, but he did see me fly out of the window and he started chasing me. I flew as fast as my wings would take me to get away and found an old dead tree that I could hide in, so I flew in it. I thought I was safe but then a big hand grabbed me. It was the human. I was so scared that I bit him on his hand, and he dropped me on the forest floor, but I did not mind the pain. I just flew away.

Finally, one day, I was strong enough to open the big doors.
When I walked in, a big brown bat came up to me and said, "Are you here to try the training to be the new leader?"

I said, "Yes I am."

He laughed at me and said, "You're too tiny to be a good leader!" so he pushed me out the door. I fell on the ground and I was very disappointed.

The next day, I woke up to the sound of someone screaming, so I quickly got up from my bed to go look out my window.

I was so scared when I saw who was screaming. It was my best friend! I ran out of my room and flew down the stairs and pushed my front door open. When I got to where my friend was, she was still screaming but it got louder. It was so loud that everyone in my neighborhood peeked out their window to see what was wrong. She told me that she was flying to her tree when a giant human tried to grab her, but she flew away really fast and that was not why she was screaming. She was screaming because a giant snake tried to eat her but when she started screaming the snake slithered away.

When she told me that, I was so scared. She stopped screaming when it was dark out, so we both flew to our trees.

It was three in the morning when I woke up to a weird sound. I looked out my bedroom window and saw the agent bats flying into the dark forest behind my tree. When I saw the agent bats going to the forest, I started to follow them. As I followed them, I quickly hid behind a big old tree and what I saw was the worst thing I have ever seen. It was a giant snake.



I tried not to scream but it was so hard not to. I saw bats getting thrown on the ground. Then, there were no more agent bats left because they all flew away.

I thought that it would be a good time to fly away but as I was flying away, the snake grabbed me with its tail and slammed me to the ground. I was so hurt that I could not fly. That made me so mad that I crawled to the snake and bit its tail. It made the loudest scream ever. Soon, it slithered away into the forest. The leader of the agent bats came and saw me there. He was so surprised that I beat the giant snake.

We both flew home together, and I went back to sleep. Then, the next day I flew to the League of Agent Bats and the leader was standing at the door. He opened it for me, and he told me that I was the next leader.

I was so happy but then, out of nowhere, something grabbed me. It was the giant snake! I was so scared that I tried to bite it, but I missed its tail. Then, my best friend came to help me. She flew up to the snake's head and she started screaming as loud as she could. That made the snake slither away.

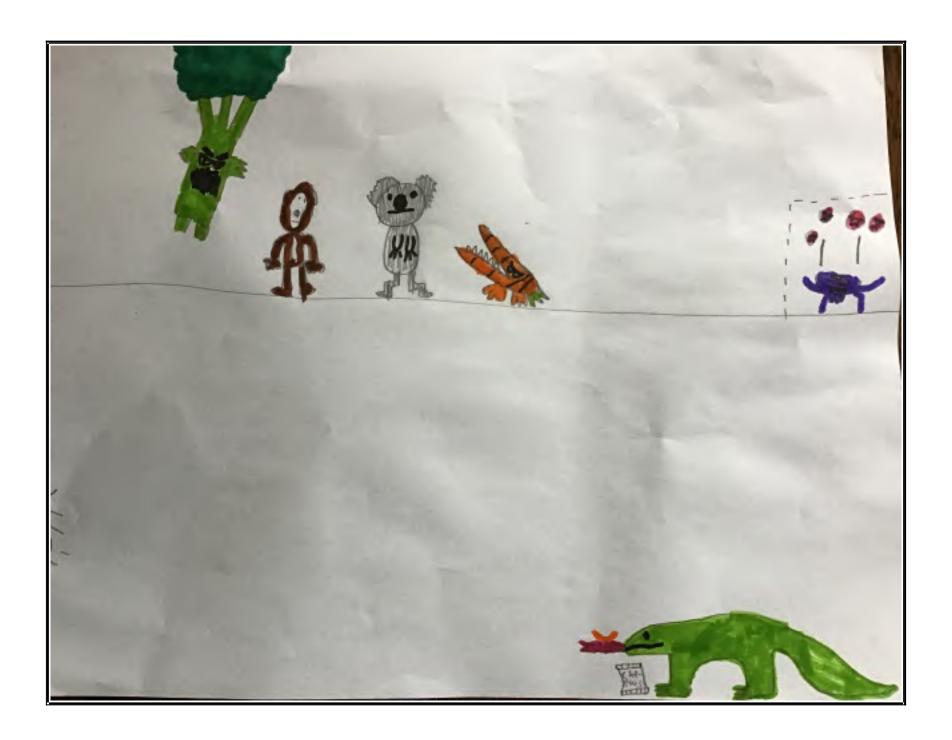
One year later we are both the new leaders and I think we will be great ones.

THE END.

THE ADVENTURES OF BILLY TORTELLING, CHEDDAR CHEESE AND ALSO COCA COLA

by Nicholas In a city named Red Wad, there were three animals named CHEDDAR CHEESE, BILLY TORTELLINI and Coca Cola. CHEDDAR was a komodo dragon, BILLY was a monkey, and Cola was a koala.

BILLY and CHEDDAR and also Cola all liked food like Cheetopuffs. They liked to eat food and watch TV all day. The veggie monsters guarded the unhealthy food. They took the unhealthy food because they were veggies.



BILLY TORTELLINI and CHEDDAR CHEESE and also Coca Cola had to fight the veggies to get their snacks back. The veggies hid in the fridge and ate all of the snacks.

BILLY TORTELLINI and CHEDDAR CHEESE and also Coca Cola decided to slice the veggies into tacos and gobble them up!

THE END.

SOCCER ADVENTURES

by Simrat There once was a girl and her name was Lelani. Lelani had brown curly hair. She was very tall, she was kind to everyone, and she was a really brave girl. Lelani was also a soccer player but she was only in training.

One day, Lelani was playing soccer with her friends in an empty stadium. She thought that she would love to become a famous soccer player, but she knew that people would make fun of her because she was extremely bad at it. So she put on her cleats and shin pads and she went to the soccer field. She kept on practicing for a really long time and she got so much better.

One day, she went to the mall to buy new cleats for herself and saw her friends hanging out without her. Lelani was pretty devastated to see that her friends were without her.

Another day when she was at the mall, she saw them without her again. Lelani thought that she shouldn't be their friend anymore. So Lelani went up to them and told them that she wasn't going to be their friend anymore because they never invited her to hang out. Her friends replied in a rude voice and walked away.

At practice, she finally mastered all of the tricks and dribbles. She was super excited. She said that she was going to show her old friends that she could do it!

The next day at school during their outside break, Lelani was doing tricks on the field by herself but nobody noticed except for one person who said she was really good. The boy's name was Logan, and everyone bullied Logan for how weird he was. So Lelani said, "Thank you."

Logan replied, "No problem."

Lelani asked Logan if they could be friends and Logan said, "Sure I'd love to!"

So then one day at the end of a soccer game, Lelani's coach told her and her teammates that they were going to the championships! Lelani was super excited and when she told Logan he said, "Congrats!"

On the day of the championships, they were playing the Peppers. Lelani told her teammates, "We will win as a team or lose as a team!"



They won the game! Everyone was super happy for them! Logan came out of the bleachers and said, "Good job!"

While Logan and Lelani were walking out of the stadium, Lelani saw her old friends. They said that they wanted to be friends again. Lelani thought that she would take them back, but she realized how rude they had been to her. She said, "No."

They asked, "Why?"

Lelani replied, "You only want to be my friend now because I'm famous."

Her old friends walked away and left her. So from this day forward, Lelani and her teammates were famous for being soccer players.

THE END.

MY INCREDIBLE FRIENDS

by Sabrina Ella was swimming in the beautiful Caribbean Ocean. Well, not totally the Caribbean Ocean. She was on a cruise in the Caribbean ocean, swimming in the pool on the top deck of the ship. Ella was with her Mom, Dad, her two big sisters, her big brother Freddy, her best friend Violet, Violet's parents, and Violet's big brother Jack.

"Guys I'm getting tired of being in the pool. Let's go swim in the ocean where we can have a bigger space to ourselves. Plus, the cruise has stopped for people to do that," said her big brother Freddy and his best friend Jack.

They all agreed and went off (with the whole family of course).

An hour later, almost all of them were tired of swimming for the day. Then Ella's two older sisters, her mom and dad, and Violet's parents said that they were getting tired of swimming almost all afternoon, so they decided to all go watch a movie. But Jack, Freddy, Violet and Ella did not want to, so the parents talked and agreed that Freddy and Jack could babysit Violet and Ella. They agreed but once the parents left, Freddy and Jack started splashing them non-stop!!! It was so annoying.

Suddenly, these big waves started coming in and the clouds were gray. Then Freddy and Jack shouted at the same time, "WAVE PARTY!!!!"

Ella was not so sure when they said everything was fine and there was nothing to worry about. She saw storm clouds and the waves started getting bigger and bigger. At least the huge ship did not start moving when they were in the water. Then the waves started getting HUGE!! But it did not bother Violet, Freddy or Jack because they had boogie boards so they would just go over the waves.

They did not know that Ella's had broken in half and floated away. Then she was going farther out to sea, and the waves would not stop **KNOCKING** her down. Finally, she got to the surface of the water. She started to yell for help but it seemed like they could not hear her.

After almost ten minutes of yelling for help and trying to keep her head above water, Violet started to hear her. Then she said, "Is Ella okay? Do you think she's calling for help?"

Jack said, "Oh she's fine, right Freddy?"

"Of course. You know what Violet? I know she is fine because she would love attention and she is definitely trying to trick all of us and she will just go to the other side of the boat and go up on the ladder and watch a movie."

"You are right Freddy and Jack, I don't know why she would be that rude!"

When Jack, Freddy, and Violet were done swimming, they went to where Ella's parents, Violet's parents and Ella's two older sisters were watching a movie. When they got there, the movie was finished. "Hey Violet, Freddy and Jack, did you guys have a good swim?" said Ella's mom.

"Yes, we did, but where is Ella?"

"I thought she was with you..." said Ella's Mom.

"Oh, you know what probably happened? She probably went to explore the cruise," said Freddy.

"Hey Violet, how about you go see Ella?"

"No thank you. She was not kind to me," said Violet.

"I'm so sorry my daughter was being rude to you. Maybe all of us could watch the magic show, if that's okay with you, Violet."

"That would be so much fun! Let's go!" said Violet.

They started watching the magic show. Little did they know that Ella was still out in the middle of the ocean all alone, in the middle of a huge storm with huge waves and she had no idea what could be lurking below.

It had been at least thirty minutes and she was struggling to keep her head above water and keep on swimming. She was just about to drown then suddenly out of nowhere, a dolphin and his friends helped her get somewhere. A place that nobody had lived in. A beautiful place with food and plants and coral reefs surrounding the mysterious island.

Luckily she did not swallow that much water but she did pass out half of the time when she was holding the dolphins' fins. She did remember when they passed one coral reef that it was beautiful with tropical fish. Coral reefs are made out of tiny animals called Corals. Lots of ocean species live in this habitat (the coral reef). Once she got to the island, she was not awake but she was still breathing. The storm had gone away and it was morning. She woke up with half of her legs on the sand and her knees in the water.

She said to the dolphins that saved her (they were spying on her the whole time), "Thank you so much for saving me. Now, first thing's first. I can't get back to that cruise so what I'm going to have to do is build a hut and make some clothes because I really don't want to walk around in a bathing suit."

Lucky for her, she knew how to make things out of grass and plants so it was no problem for her. After she was done building her house and her new elegant clothes, she saw the dolphins playing in the night sky when there was a full moon. So then she decided she would swim with them and it was so much fun.

She was enjoying this new place but she was wondering how her family was. She went to bed early, but on the cruise if you went to bed early, that would be at ten thirty! On the cruise, her family and Violet's family weren't even worrying about her a single bit because they thought that she was with somebody else in the family or friends for two days!

Now it was morning and she was very bored until she saw something. It was a beautiful mountain with something mysterious glowing at the top of the mountain. She really wanted to see what was glowing but she was very hungry because she did not have her tropical lunch. Her tropical lunch was two tomatoes, one orange, and a very small banana.

After she had her lunch, she went to go for a walk around the beach. Then suddenly, she saw a bunch of dead fish on the beach. She had a great idea of what to do with all of that dead fish. She would go in the water to feed the dolphins. She swam with the dolphins until the sun was going down, then she went to bed.

Instead of sleeping in her hut, she slept on the beach while there was a full moon. She was not able to sleep for some weird and creepy reason. Then she figured out why. On top of the mountain where she saw the glowing light, she saw the blue and purple light on the mountain again. This time it was extra scary. All she wanted to do was hug her parents. What if there was a person in that cave? Could that be strange? She started walking to the cave and up the mountain.

Finally, she got to the top of the mountain and was at the entrance of the cave. The light was still glowing from the inside of the cave. Suddenly, out of nowhere, she slipped on a wet rock and fell to the bottom of the cave. Once she was at the bottom of the cave, she tried to get back to the top of the cave but couldn't because it was too steep and too slippery. Then she tried once more but of course it did not work. When she tried again, she fell into this little pool of water that was very deep. Then these sparkles started going on her and she saw another person right beside her. Ella said, "Ummm, hello, my name is Ella. What's yours?"

"My name is Crystal and as you can see, I am a mermaid." Then Crystal said, "My dolphin friends who you have met said that they saved you and you were very kind to them. Thank you for being so kind."

"Oh, it was no problem," she said.

"So where are your parents, Ella?"

"Well I was swimming off a Caribbean cruise and there was a big storm and then the dolphins saved me and took me here." "Oh, I'm so sorry your parents are not here, but I have a present for you!"

"YOU DO?!"

"Yes I do, here it is. It's a necklace and when you hold the shell on it, it turns you into a mermaid and I will zoom to you, but it has to be in warm ocean water."

"Wow, thank you! I will really miss the dolphins though."

"Oh, don't worry, the dolphins will always follow me when you see me."

Crystal and Ella chatted for a very long time. When Crystal and Ella were done talking, Ella went down to the beach and slept outside. Now it was morning and she was very curious to know how her family was doing.

On the cruise, her whole family was worried sick and were so mad at Violet, Jack, and Freddy, because Ella was lost and they thought she passed away. When Ella was relaxing on the beach, she saw a huge ship passing by so she started to yell for help and try to make the Captain of the ship see her. The Captain's name was Ryder and he was a very kind person. She did not know if that was the cruise ship she was on or if that was just another cruise.

THE END.

RAINA'S DESTINY

by

Tori

It was a beautiful day. The sun was shining, the birds were chirping, and the wind was warm. Raina was on a rock-climbing mountain trip by herself and she felt excited because it was her first time there. The mountain looked like a huge Dorito chip because it had a triangle shape. It didn't have the cheesy colour of the chip; instead, it had the gray colour of the rocks.

Raina climbed into the cave and she saw something glow. It was a crystal. Then a tiger jumped on her! She was scared but she fought with the tiger and kicked the tiger on its side. The tiger got off of her and then the tiger fell off the cliff.

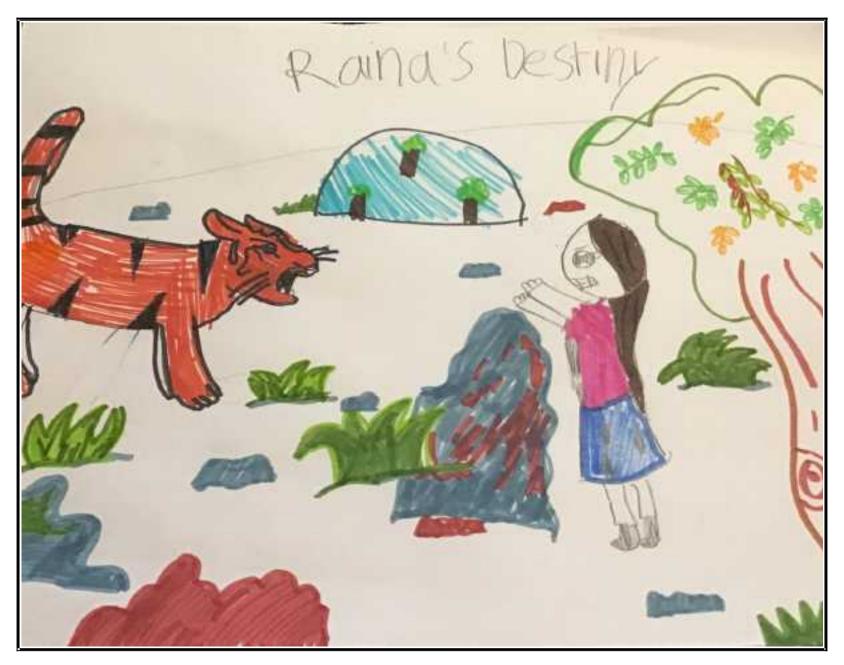
Raina saved the tiger because she was kind-hearted and then ran away before the tiger could chase her.

Then a wizard came and said to Raina, "You passed my test. You are the chosen one because of your kindness to the tiger and I will give you powers to help others."

The wizard's brother had a son named Peter and he hated Raina because she got powers and he didn't, so he tried to steal her powers. He thought of a plan to take over Raina's powers by sucking them through the machine that he had invented.

Peter made friends with Raina and tried to get her trust to come over to his house to suck her powers out. However, she used her kindness to help Peter get over his jealousy and asked if he wanted to become her partner. Peter was embarrassed because of what had happened. Raina convinced him to become her partner and he agreed to that. They became a team and helped people in need. They worked together happily ever after.

THE END.



JOE'S LIFE

by Levi Once upon a time, there was a tree named Joe. Joe was a special Oak tree because he was alive. Before Joe was alive, there was a scientist working on him to make him alive. He gave the tree an injection and it worked! It made him come to life and his branch flew out and hit the scientist against the wall and it killed him. No one knows that the tree is alive.

Joe could walk around. At night, he chose to walk around because it was dark and no one could see him moving. He needed somewhere to live for a day or two. He chose a nice house that backed onto a big park with lots of trees.

The humans that lived in the house didn't notice a new tree in their backyard. They thought he was already there before. Now Joe couldn't move around in the day, so he had to move around when they were sleeping.

He was a grumpy tree because all of the other trees couldn't move. He was the only one who could, so he was lonely. Another thing that was making him sad was that there was a squirrel that kept stealing his acorns.

Gerald was a little boy who lived in the house that was closest to where Joe had decided to live. The boy kept climbing him and drilling platforms into him and the nails were hurting him.

Gerald was confused because whenever he woke up in the morning, the platforms that he put in the tree were on the ground. He thought the wind blew them down. Then Gerald realized this couldn't be happening every day.

Joe finally became friends with the squirrel when he asked the squirrel to please stop picking his acorns. Joe agreed to let the squirrel live in his tree but not eat his acorns.

Joe was hoping one day he would be brave enough to talk to the boy and tell him what he wanted.

One day, Gerald was being so rough with Joe. He was peeling the bark off of the tree. Joe tried to hold in a yelp but he couldn't! Gerald was scared so he ran off as fast as he could back into the house.

Gerald was so scared to come back outside so he made cardboard armour, a shield, and he loaded his nerf gun. He went outside to his back deck and yelled, "HEY TREE!" Gerald's mom said, "What, Gerald?"

"Nothing, mom!" He said.

Joe the tree opened his eyes and said, "Hi."

Gerald got ready to shoot. Then, the tree put his branch up and said, "Don't shoot!"

Gerald's jaw dropped and his hand fell to his side and he stood staring at the tree for a second. Gerald thought this was a dream, so he punched himself in the face and said, "Oh my god that hurt." Joe started to tell him to stop peeling the bark off of him and climb him because it hurt.

Gerald asked, "Why?"

Joe said, "That is my skin and how would you feel it if I did that to you?"

Gerald said, "Oh, I am sorry. I didn't know you were alive."



"That is okay," said Joe, "Just please don't hurt any other trees. They just can't speak like me." Joe asked Gerald to distract his parents for twenty minutes or so, so Joe could move around without them seeing. Joe and Gerald became best friends and the squirrel too, of course.

THE END.

THE BOY WHO WANTED A DRAGON

by Misha There was a boy named Caleb who was five years old. He was a tall little boy. Caleb didn't have any siblings or any pets but if he could have had any pet, he would have chosen a dragon. His parents told him dragons were not real, but he didn't believe them. He said that one day, he would find a dragon and tame it. And they would fly around in the air.

One day, Caleb was so mad that he ran to the woods. He was so mad because every time he asked his parents for a pet dragon, they would always say, "No!" When he asked his parents again for a pet dragon, they said, "No."

Caleb was so frustrated that he ran upstairs, took a bag, and ran outside to the woods. Caleb remembered that sometimes dragons were in the woods, so he looked around. Caleb walked around until he heard a noise. He thought it might have been just a squirrel. But when he looked behind him, there was a humongous black bear! He panicked and looked in his bag and he found some meat. The meat was meant for the dragon, but he just gave it to the bear. And then Caleb ran as fast as he could!

When Caleb lost the bear, he started to walk again but then he heard another noise. Caleb was really scared and thought it might be the black bear. But when he turned around, it was just a squirrel.

Suddenly, Caleb heard another sound. Just then, right in front of him, was a dragon! Caleb thought he was dreaming but he wasn't. It was all real. Caleb was so happy that he just jumped on the dragon's back with excitement. Caleb told the dragon where he lived, and the dragon brought him home.



When he opened up the front door, his parents said, "Where were you, Caleb? We were so worried!"

Caleb interrupted them and said, "Can we keep him, please?"

His parents said, "Keep what?"

Caleb said, "My dragon!"

His parents said, "Okay, fine."

Caleb jumped up and down with excitement, he was so happy.

Caleb's parents said that they were sorry that they didn't believe

Caleb. Caleb said, "It's okay, sometimes we don't believe until

we see."

Caleb promised that he would take care of his pet dragon no matter what. Caleb named his pet dragon Rhaegar. He had always loved that name. Caleb always fed Rhaegar lots of meat. He was so happy to have a pet dragon!

THE END.

BASKETBALL

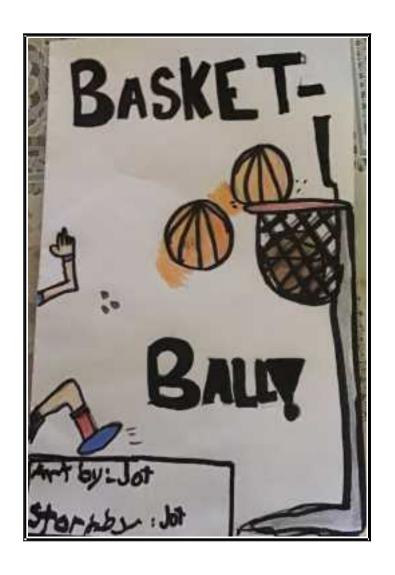
by Bhawanjot Basketball is my favourite sport. It's a lot of fun because you need a lot of energy. Also, it's a healthy sport because you need to do lots of jumping to shoot the ball in the hoop.

Lebron James is my favourite basketball player. He plays for the Los Angeles Lakers. He's my favourite player because of how he plays. He's been my favourite player for the last two years.

These are some things I know about basketball. Basketball is called basketball because for the first game of basketball in

1891, Naismith used two half bushel peach baskets as goals, which gave the sport its name. The students were enthusiastic.

I also know the game became an official Olympic event at the Summer Games in Berlin, Germany, in 1936. A soccer ball was used to play basketball (just for those games?). I also know the rules about how to play basketball. The ball may be thrown in any direction with one or both hands (never with the fist). A player cannot run with the ball. The ball must be held in or between the hands. The arms and body must not be used for holding it. I LOVE BASKETBALL!!!!!



THE END.

BILLY THE CAR

by Oliver Hello, my name is Billy. Billy the car. Let me tell you, I have an owner that cares for me so much, it's insane. He does know that I'm not a unicorn, right? Anyways, the reason I brought you here is to tell you about my road trip because it was so terrible that I had to speak about it in private. The day started like any other day. I got out of bed and read the newspaper my owner left for me.

Then, somewhere around nine or ten in the morning, (I don't know—cars don't go to school, so don't judge me) my owner said he had booked a room in the wildlife hotel. To us cars, that

meant the creepy underground parking lot because they decorate it like a creepy cave. He also said we were planning on going with Jessica (AKA his girlfriend) but she had other plans involving tennis. So we were going without her. Sorry girls, no kissing today.

The trip started with crossing three bridges and one farm. The rest was grass, trees, mountains, and more trees. Then we got to the first town that had more than three or less shops. My owner and I were both very hungry but he had forgotten his money.

Luckily, there was a bank in the next town over and my owner came prepared with food. It was like food heaven... well, for him at least. I didn't see any big gas bottles for me...yum, gas. He searched everywhere for at least one dollar for a full tank. Speaking of tanks, our neighbour has a big tank in his garage. I think it's weird.

Anyways, we managed to get fifty cents, enough for half of a tank. Soon we were off, but it wasn't long before we got lost finding the town. I was so tired and hungry that I had to drive into the barn beside the road.

My owner asked the couple if they had gas. They said that they owned a gas station a little ways away with a path leading there and also asked what was in it for them. I didn't hear what they said next because five chickens were all over me. One of them had grabbed his nest and put it on my roof, three were messing with my tail lights, and one was dancing on my windshield. After a dinner with eggs, milk, and pork, my owner left to get the gas and came back while I was asleep with the cows. I named them Jack, Hack, Lack and Steve. Say that three times fast!

So breakfast was particularly fast. When we finally got to the hotel (wait, I forgot to tell you my owner's name, but I'm tired, so it's Hoe), Hoe went into the hotel and left me in the creepy hotel parking lot. All I saw were bats. Soon, Hoe came back disappointed and we drove away. I think the hotel was full because there were a lot of cars everywhere in the cave. Hoe didn't want to go anywhere else after that, so we went home.

THE END.

CANADIAN DEVIL IN INDIA



by Avani Once upon a time, there was one evil person named VENOM!!!! His name brought fear to the town of Mohali, India, until one day when four brave teenagers came, stepped forward, and vowed to defeat VENOM.

Their names were Angele, Avani, Amit, and little Adi. But they only had one problem, their weakness was VENOM!!! Another problem they had was that it would take at least a week to get to VENOM's Palace. He lived in Canada and they were in India!!

Days passed as they went forward and forward until they finally got to VENOM's palace. Within a minute, VENOM's guards ATTACKED. Avani, Angele, Amit, and little Adi all fought bravely. At last, they had defeated VENOM!!!

One of the guards still fought even after VENOM's death. He attacked little Adi!!!! But Avani came and saved him.



When they returned to India, the people were so grateful that they made them their kings and queens of India. Some say that one of VENOM's guards still seeks revenge on the new kings and queens!!!

THE END.



LEXI'S ADVENTURE

by Leen

Once upon a time, there was a girl named Lexi. One day, she was driving back from her middle school and a big tsunami hit the road where she was driving. Then she got washed onto a Hawaiian island with only thirty-six people on it. She tried to ask all of them if they knew a way to get back to Victoria, where she lived. They said they couldn't help her, but there was a plane that could take her there. But she had to pay \$1,450 to go on that plane. She didn't have enough money; she only had five hundred dollars but she needed \$1450. The woman said, "Maybe if you work for us, we can pay you. And you can keep working for us until you have the money you need."

"Thank you so much," Lexi said.

And the people also gave her a home to stay in. So, she started working right away. Her first job that she needed to do was to babysit a baby because his mother had to go and help with collecting the coconuts. After she finished babysitting, the baby's mother told Lexi that they needed another coconut collector. "Do you want to go help?" asked the woman.

"Of course, I'll do anything," said Lexi.

Lexi kept on working night and day, night and day, night and day, until one day, she found three children walking on the pathway that led to the forest. She decided to stay up on a tree near that forest to make sure that they were all safe. Then the kids started looking at rocks on the ground and behind them was a big brown scary bear that was approaching them! So Lexi quickly jumped off the tree. She took a long strong tree trunk and started sharpening it with the rock she had and quickly ran to the kids. She quickly jumped in front of the kids and stabbed the bear with the tree trunk.

When the bear died, the three kids hugged her and thanked her and they all went back to where everyone lived. The kids told their parents and the parents told the chief. So they all gave her money and flowers and food. And surprisingly, she had five hundred and forty dollars. She was super, super, super happy and thanked all of the people.

When she woke up, she found ninety-eight dollars laying on her table. That was all she needed to go back to Victoria, but she couldn't take the money because it was not hers. Instead, she took it to the chief and gave it to him and told him that she

found it on her table. After she told him, all of the people jumped out of the trees and started clapping for her.

The chief said, "You have passed your test. You did not take the money because it was not yours. Second, you are not scared of the bear. Instead, you killed a bear and saved the little children. Third, you did not kill or steal the money that you needed. Now you may keep the money and head back to your island and you will always be our guest." Lexi was so happy that she was dancing around and everybody was cheering for her.

Then she flew back to her home and every year she would bring her whole entire family and they would visit the Hawaiian people. And every single time she would go visit the Hawaiian people with her family, she was always thankful to God that she made it back to her home.

THE END.

THE QUEST TO MAKE THE WORLD'S BIGGEST YARN BALL

by Arthur On a sunny day on June 15th, a cat named Meowscales was walking down the street, whistling happily on the way to his house. He saw his friend Doggo and said, "Howdy ho neighborino."

Meowscales was at his house, opened the door, and walked into the portal to Fortnite. He landed at the yacht where boxboy was waiting for him. There, they had a big fight. Fortunately, Meowscales won because he was buff because he was raised by a bodybuilder. What Meowscales wanted to do his whole life was to make the world's biggest yarn ball but he had no yarn. So that night, he was going to steal some from the yacht. He did not get all the yarn he needed and there was one problem... he did not know how to put the yarn together.

The next morning, he asked for help. He asked Doggo and Guff Beefboy but no one knew how to do it. Then Meowscales remembered someone: his grandma. So he picked up all the yarn and ran to his grandma's house. His grandma was excited and said yes and all of his friends helped out.

I am not going to say all of the names because you probably want to keep reading, so let's get back to the story. They were so close to making the world's biggest yarn ball, but they were one yarn ball short. Suddenly, Guff kicked down the front door with the final yarn ball and it had been done... the world's biggest yarn ball. The Gugis gave them the plaque for the world's biggest yarn ball. Then, the cats played with it, of course. All cat stuff.

THE END.



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