

Barry Loser Worst School Trip Ever

Brand new adventures for Barry Loser in this new series of full colour graphic novels – perfect for fans of DogMan, Bunny vs Monkey and Kitty Quest

In this hilarious novel, written in the voice of eighth-grader Wyatt Palmer, Dave Barry takes us on a class trip to Washington, DC. Wyatt, his best friend, Matt, and a few kids from Culver Middle School find themselves in a heap of trouble-not just with their teachers, who have long lost patience with them -- but from several mysterious men they first meet on their flight to the nation’s capital. In a fast-paced adventure with the monuments as a backdrop, the kids try to stay out of danger and out of the doghouse while trying to save the president from attack-or maybe not.

The brilliant Roald Dahl Funny Prize winning BARRY LOSER series. Perfect for readers aged 7-10 years old and fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Tom Gates and Dennis the Menace. ‘Everyone at school knows I’m the loserkeelest person ever. So imagine how annoying it was when Fay Snoggles came into school one day acting even more loserkeel than me.’ There’s a girl in Barry’s class who’s GETTING MORE LAUGHS THAN HIM! But luckily Barry immediately thinks up one of his brilliant and amazekeel plans to make sure he’ll have the final chuckle . All he needs is thirty boxes of Beard Flakes . . . Have you got all of Jim Smith’s amazekeel books? I am not a Loser I am still not a Loser I am so over being a Loser I am sort of a Loser Barry Loser and the holiday of doom Barry Loser and the case of the crumpled carton Barry Loser’s ultimate book of keelness Barry loser hates half term My mum is a loser free ebook My dad is a loser free ebook Future Ratboy and the attack of the killer robot grannies Future Ratboy and the invasion of the nom noms Future Ratboy and the quest for the missing thingy Barry Loser: I am Not a Loser was selected as a Tom Fletcher Book Club 2017 title. Jim Smith is the keelest kids’ book author in the whole wide world amen. He graduated from art school with first class honours (the best you can get) and went on to create the branding for a sweet little chain of coffee shops. He also designs cards and gifts under the name Waldo Pancake.

This book is packed with awesome true stories, real science and fascinating facts and will make you laugh loads - and it’s all about football. What is a vomitory? When do footballers wee? Where do goalkeepers let in chickens? When did women start playing football? You’ll find the answers to these questions and more in chapters on subjects such as biology, maths and history. Illustrated throughout with hilarious cartoons and filled with laugh-out-loud gags this is the perfect book for any boy or girl who loves football.

A Super Weird! Mystery: Danger at Donut Diner

Barry Loser and the Trouble with Pets

The Lightning Thief

I am sort of a Loser

Sam Wu Is Not Afraid of Ghosts

Brilliantly funny new series about the bravest scaredy-cat in the world Sam Wu is NOT a scaredy-cat (except he is). When a trip to the Space Museum goes terrifyingly wrong, Sam begins a mission to prove to the school bully, and all of his friends, that he is a fearless space adventurer. A truly laugh-out-loud, voice-led and madcap story of ghost hunting, snakes and mischievous pet cats called Butterbutt, perfect for fans of Tom Gates, Wilf the Mighty Worrier and Barry Loser, and readers aged six plus. Look out for Sam’s jawsome follow-up adventure - Sam Wu is Not Afraid of Sharks! coming in July 2018. Katie and Kevin Tsang met in in 2008 while studying at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Since then they have lived on three different continents and travelled to over 40 countries together. In 2015 they got married in Palm Springs, California. Kevin was born in Copenhagen and grew up in Atlanta, Georgia. Some of Sam Wu’s experiences are based on Kevin’s childhood. He currently works as a healthcare technology consultant. Katie was born and raised in Southern California and also writes YA as Katherine Webber. Katie and Kevin currently live in London. Sam Wu is NOT Afraid of Ghosts is their first joint novel.

Banishment from his life’s calling can’t keep a comically overconfident detective down in the latest episode by New York Times bestseller Stephan Pastis. This book was never meant to exist. No one needs to know the details. Just know this: there’s a Merry, a Larry, a missing tooth, and a teachers’ strike that is crippling Timmy Failure’s academic future. Worst of all, Timmy is banned from detective work. It’s a conspiracy of buffoons. He recorded everything in his private notebook, but then the manuscript was stolen. If this book gets out, he will be grounded for life. Or maybe longer. And will Timmy’s mom really marry Doorman Dave?

The struggle of three brothers to stay together after their parent’s death and their quest for identity among the conflicting values of their adolescent society.

The ultimate book for fans of Barry Loser! Packed full of brilliant content, including the World Book Day book I am nit a Loser, the short stories ‘Bunky is a Loser’ and ‘My Dad is a Loser’, editions of the Daily Poo, a Q&A with Jim from his fans and pages of brand-new superkeel drawing guides and activities, Barry fans old and new will love Barry Loser’s Ultimate Book of Keelness. This is the perfect companion to the Roald Dahl Funny Prize-winning series!

Beaky Malone

Zlatan (Ultimate Football Heroes) - Collect Them All!

Where Football Saves the World

The Idiot

Barry Loser: Comic Genius

Meet Zlatan Ibrahimovic, Ultimate Football Hero. ‘With the TV cameras watching, Zlatan roared like a lion. It was his tenth league title in only twelve years but he never got tired of winning.’ Zlatan follows the Swedish superstar on his amazing journey from the tough streets of Malmö to becoming the deadly striker at Manchester United. Along the way he has been a star for Juventus, Inter Milan, Barcelona, and Paris Saint-Germain, as well as becoming Sweden’s all-time leading scorer.

This is the story of one of a generation’s finest footballers. Ultimate Football Heroesis a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Roald Dahl Funny Prize-winning series, perfect for fans of Dennis the Menace, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Tom Gates, and Mr Gum. ‘My mum’s embarrassing enough just being my mum, but now she’s won The Voice of Feeko’s competition it’s even worse.’ Barry’s mum has become a bit of celebrity, and now he can’t go anywhere without seeing a poster of her eating a chocolate digestive or wiggling her bum in a pair of jeans. It’s so annoy-embarrassing, and everyone at school is making fun of him. Have you got all of Jim Smith’s amazekeel books? I am not a Loser I am still not a Loser I am so over being a Loser I am sort of a Loser Barry Loser and the holiday of doom Barry Loser and the case of the crumpled carton Barry Loser’s ultimate book of keelness Barry Loser hates half term Future Ratboy and the attack of the killer robot grannies Jim Smith is the keelest kids’ book author in the whole wide world amen. He graduated from art school with first class honours (the best you can get) and went on to create the branding for a sweet little chain of coffee shops. He also designs cards and gifts under the name Waldo Pancake.

The next brilliant instalment of the fully-illustrated Tom Gates series will have readers cracking up!

GETTING TO BLOW YOU!Can one gay man defeat Alaska’s hairpocalypse and win the sexy lumberjack?The logging town of Sithole, Alaska, hasn’t had a decent hairdresser in two years. The men look like shaggy yaks and the women...well, let’s not get too personal...they’re in desperate need of a makeover. The mayor has sent out a mayday call requesting a female hairdresser but when the new hair stylist arrives it’s the outrageous rainbow tornado, Frankie Burfitt, escaping a cheating boyfriend. Neither side knew what they were getting into but, after some initial reluctance, the women of the town pack his salon, the timber men need a bit more persuasion, especially one particular swarthy lumberjack, Bud Guyder, who’s caught Frankie’s eye. Is the shy logger a little gay curious or just a tease?“I thought this was the cutest snarkiest story I’ve ever read!... a fun, sweet, light read.” BEAUTY AND THE LEASEDWanted: Fake boyfriend. Paid Position. Wealthy, clueless college jock himbo. Jerrod Spicer, will do anything to make his cheating boyfriend, Kyle, jealous even down to messing with the affection of nerdish Colm Bransfield, one of his biggest fans, all under the prying eye of bitchy gossip columnist, Cicely Trublood. Colm needs money for his college fees and Jerrod is prepared to pay handsomely, at least in cash, for Colm to pretend to be his rebound boyfriend. What could possibly go wrong? “Written beautifully and the ending of this is the icing on the cake...Fantastic. Hot sexy scenes are smokin’."ELEVATOR SHAFTEvery love affair has its ups and downs but this one comes with a stop button.Micky is attempting to improve his young life while living on a run-down high-rise public housing estate but it’s difficult when he has no qualifications and is studying part time to get his high school diploma. After he is stabbed during a homophobic attack he wants out even though he finds himself attracted to Trig, the leader of the gang that attacked him. Blond-haired Adonis, Trig, is an enigma until the day he traps Danny in the elevator of their building. Expecting the worst, Danny is surprised by the favour Trig asks. "...not your mushy and starry eyed kind of love story, it is messy and has ups and downs.. And in the end, I was satisfied with every moment I read."NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET ITFor any sort of a future together they both have to come cleanVinnie is a loser in love and in life. Even with his good looks and hot body he’s unable to keep a job for more than a few weeks and his love-life is in tatters. His friends see him as just another piece of ass and they’re idea of support is to try helping him into their beds. Only his arch nemesis, Zeb, won’t indulge Vinnie’s pity party. So why does Vinnie feel a strange attraction to the only man who won’t indulge him - a man with secrets and a bad reputation?“...one of those stories where you fall in love with the characters and you hope to see them again in a future story...I loved this book."

Barry Loser’s Ultimate Book of Keelness

Insane City

I am so over being a Loser

How I Became a Quant

Grit

“Bob Chapman, CEO of the \$1.7 billion manufacturing company Barry-Wehmiller, is on a mission to change the way businesses treat their employees.” – Inc. Magazine Starting in 1997, Bob Chapman and Barry-Wehmiller have pioneered a dramatically different approach to leadership that creates off-the-charts morale, loyalty, creativity, and business performance. The company utterly rejects the idea that employees are simply functions, to be moved around, "managed" with carrots and sticks, or discarded at will. Instead, Barry-Wehmiller manifests the reality that every single person matters, just like in a family. That’s not a cliché on a mission statement; it’s the bedrock of the company’s success. During tough times a family pulls together, makes sacrifices together, and endures short-term pain together. If a parent loses his or her job, a family doesn’t lay off one of the kids. That’s the approach Barry-Wehmiller took when the Great Recession caused revenue to plunge for more than a year. Instead of mass layoffs, they found creative and caring ways to cut costs, such as asking team members to take a month of unpaid leave. As a result, Barry-Wehmiller emerged from the downturn with higher employee morale than ever before. It’s natural to be skeptical when you first hear about this approach. Every time Barry-Wehmiller acquires a company that relied on traditional management practices, the new team members are skeptical too. But they soon learn what it’s like to work at an exceptional workplace where the goal is for everyone to feel trusted and cared for—and where it’s expected that they will justify that trust by caring for each other and putting the common good first. Chapman and coauthor Raj Sisodia show how any organization can reject the traumatic consequences of rolling layoffs, dehumanizing rules, and hypercompetitive cultures. Once you stop treating people like functions or costs, disengaged workers begin to share their gifts and talents toward a shared future. Uninspired workers stop feeling that their jobs have no meaning. Frustrated workers stop taking their bad days out on their spouses and kids. And everyone stops counting the minutes until it’s time to go home. This book chronicles Chapman’s journey to find his true calling, going behind the scenes as his team tackles real-world challenges with caring, empathy, and inspiration. It also provides clear steps to transform your own workplace, whether you lead two people or two hundred thousand. While the Barry-Wehmiller way isn’t easy, it is simple. As the authors put it: "Everyone wants to do better. Trust them. Leaders are everywhere. Find them. People achieve good things, big and small, every day. Celebrate them. Some people wish things were different. Listen to them. Everybody matters. Show them."

A raucous comedy about a paranoid loser who maybe wasn't paranoid enough... In the sixties, Jeffrey Parker briefly attended an antiwar rally. He wasn't all that interested--he just listened to a few speeches, and went home...and nothing was ever the same. In this wildly comic novel, Parker’s brief dalliance is the beginning of the end. He never lands a decent job. Women never stick around. He has terrible stretches of bad luck, and is the unwilling victim of just plain bizarre occurrences: once, he comes home to find that the final page in every one of his books has been removed. Then Parker discovers that he’s been the target of a government plot--like the FBI's real-life COINTELPRO--and the obsession of a rogue FBI agent who just won't give up. This outrageously imaginative debut is reminiscent of John Kennedy Toole's explosive, out-of-nowhere farce A Confederacy of Dunces. Part thriller, part national tragedy, and all hysterical comedy, it is devilishly entertaining even as it forces Parker and readers to uncover the truth not only about their country, but about themselves.

Alex is no sports star. She’s just glad to be on a netball team with herfriends. But what if Alex’s bad ballskills let the team down? Will she lether friends down, too?

In this instant New York Times bestseller, Angela Duckworth shows anyone striving to succeed that the secret to outstanding achievement is not talent, but a special blend of passion and persistence she calls “grit.” “Inspiration for non-geniuses everywhere” (People). The daughter of a scientist who frequently noted her lack of “genius,” Angela Duckworth is now a celebrated researcher and professor. It was her early eye-opening stints in teaching, business consulting, and neuroscience that led to her hypothesis about what really drives success: not genius, but a unique combination of passion and long-term perseverance. In Grit, she takes us into the field to visit cadets struggling through their first days at West Point, teachers working in some of the toughest schools, and young finalists in the National Spelling Bee. She also mines fascinating insights from history and shows what can be gleaned from modern experiments in peak performance. Finally, she shares what she’s learned from interviewing dozens of high achievers—from JP Morgan CEO Jamie Dimon to New Yorker cartoon editor Bob Mankoff to Seattle Seahawks Coach Pete Carroll. “Duckworth’s ideas about the cultivation of tenacity have clearly changed some lives for the better” (The New York Times Book Review). Among Grit’s most valuable insights: any effort you make ultimately counts twice toward your goal; grit can be learned, regardless of IQ or circumstances; when it comes to child-rearing, neither a warm embrace nor high standards will work by themselves; how to trigger lifelong interest; the magic of the Hard Thing Rule; and so much more. Winningly personal, insightful, and even life-changing, Grit is a book about what goes through your head when you fall down, and how that—not talent or luck—makes all the difference. This is “a fascinating tour of the psychological research on success” (The Wall Street Journal).

Sally Sore Loser

Loser

The Power of Passion and Perseverance

Everybody Matters

The monkey is gathering all the jungle animals for a farting contest. The hippo, the elephant, a shy giraffe, and a very refined zebra are all competing, but no one can guess who the winner will be. Rafael Ord🎱🎱ez Cuadrado is a poet and author of picture books, riddles, stories, plays, and recipes. He has published scores of books with some of the most prestigious publishing houses in Spain: fairy tales, riddles, a comic, two plays, a book of tourism stories, and more. Laure du F🎱 studied illustration in the 🎱cole des Arts D🎱coratifs in Strasbourg and lives in Paris. She has published comics in France and Italy, but her main focus is picture books for kids. She has published in the United States, France, Spain, Holland, Switzerland, and China. Her book That’s Not Normal! was selected by the White Ravens.

Perfect for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Mr Gum and Tom Gates ‘Probably the most exciting millisecond in the history of my whole entire life on earth amen was the other day after school when my mum called me into the kitchen.’ Barry is auditioning to be in an advert for nit shampoo. But when it all goes horribly wrong, Barry has a change of heart. It’s time to stand up for all insects and GIVE A BUG A HUG! Join Barry in his quest to save the creepy crawlies in this nutty, nitty World Book Day adventure.

#1 New York Times bestseller · Seven starred reviews · Boston Globe–Horn Book Award Honor Book “For all the struggle in this book, Thomas rarely misses a step as a writer. Thomas continues to hold up that mirror with grace and confidence. We are lucky to have her, and lucky to know a girl like Bri.”—The New York Times Book Review This digital edition contains a letter from the author, deleted scenes, a picture of the author as a teen rapper, an annotated playlist, Angie’s top 5 MCs, an annotated rap, illustrated quotes from the book, and an excerpt from Concrete Rose, Angie’s return to Garden Heights. Sixteen-year-old Bri wants to be one of the greatest rappers of all time. Or at least win her first battle. As the daughter of an underground hip hop legend who died right before he hit big, Bri’s got massive shoes to fill. But it’s hard to get your come up when you’re labeled a hoodlum at school, and your fridge at home is empty after your mom loses her job. So Bri pours her anger and frustration into her first song, which goes viral . . . for all the wrong reasons. Bri soon finds herself at the center of a controversy, portrayed by the media as more menace than MC. But with an eviction notice staring her family down, Bri doesn’t just want to make it—she has to. Even if it means becoming the very thing the public has made her out to be. Insightful, unflinching, and full of heart, On the Come Up is an ode to hip hop from one of the most influential literary voices of a generation. It is the story of fighting for your dreams, even as the odds are stacked against you; and about how, especially for young black people, freedom of speech isn’t always free. Don’t miss Concrete Rose, Angie Thomas’s powerful prequel to her phenomenal bestseller, The Hate U Give!

Seth Weinstein always knew Tina was way, way, way out of his league. Which is why he’s still astonished that he’s on a plane heading for their wedding in Florida. The Groom Posse has already pulled an airport prank on him—and he’s survived! It should be easy going from now on. But Seth has absolutely no idea what he’s about to get into. A simple drink or two with the boys sparks a series of events that will pit Seth and his friends against everything and everyone imaginable, from his very powerful, very disapproving soon-to-be father-in-law to the federal government to a love-struck orangutan. Seth’s hope for smooth sailing is turning into a trip on the Titanic. And the water is getting deeper by the minute...

I am still not a Loser

Timmy Failure: The Cat Stole My Pants

I Am Nit a Loser

Mistakes Were Made

The Blindfold Test

Nominated for the National Book Award, Barry Hannah’s brilliant debut offers “a fresh angle on the great American subject of growing up” (John Updike). Roiling with love and torment, lunacy and desire, hilarity and tenderness, Geronimo Rex is the bildungsroman of an unlikely hero. Reared in gloomy Dream of Pines, Louisiana, whose pines have long since yielded to paper mills, Harry Monroe is ready to take on the world. Inspired by the great Geronimo’s heroic rampage through the Old West, Harry puts on knee boots and a scarf and voyages out into the swamp of adolescence in the South of the 1950s and ’60s. Along the way he is attacked by an unruly peacock; discovers women, rock ‘n’ roll, and jazz; and stalks a pervert white supremacist who fancies himself the next Henry Miller in this “stunning piece of entertainment . . . vulgar, ribald, and wildly comic” (TheNew York Times).

“Hannah writes about adolescence with a rare pizzazz and insight.” —Rolling Stone

“RELENTLESSLY FUNNY. . . BARRY SHINES.” --People A self-professed computer geek who actually does Windows 95, bestselling humorist Dave Barry takes us on a hilarious hard drive via the information superhighway—and into the very heart of cyberspace, asking the provocative question: If God had wanted us to be concise, why give us so many fonts? Inside you’ll find juicy bytes on How to Buy and Set Up a Computer; Step One: Get Valium Nerdstock in the Desert; Or: Bill Gates Is Elvis Software: Making Your Computer Come Alive So It Can Attack You Word Processing: How to Press an Enormous Number of Keys Without Ever Actually Writing Anything Selected Web Sites, including Cursing in Swedish, Deformed Frog Pictures, and The Toilets of Melbourne, Australia And much, much more! "VERY FUNNY . . . After a day spent staring at a computer monitor, think of the book as a kind of screen saver for your brain." --New York Times Book Review

Resolving to earn so much money that his mother will no longer stress out over the bills, 11-year-old Timmy Failure launches a detective business with a lazy polar bear partner named Total but finds their enterprise—Total Failure, Inc.—challenged by a college-bound spy and a four-foot-tall girl

whom Timmy refuses to acknowledge.

The ninth book in this Roald Dahl Funny Prize-winning series. Perfect for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid and Dennis the Menace. Barry's class is off to Mogden City for a day trip round the sewers. When Bazza hears they're filming an episode of Future Ratboy just down the road from the poo factory, he hatches an escape plan. Mogden City is a dangerous place and when night starts to fall and they still haven't found the set, panic sets in. Join everyone's favourite Loser on his ninth hilarious adventure!

Insights from 25 of Wall Street's Elite

Timmy Failure: The Book You're Not Supposed to Have

The Short and Tragic Life of Robert Peace

Barry Loser's Book of Keel Stuff

The Extraordinary Power of Caring for Your People Like Family

Worst School Trip Ever

From renowned Newbery-winning author Jerry Spinelli comes a powerful story about how not fitting in just might lead to an incredible life. This classic book is perfect for fans of Gordon Korman and Carl Hiaasen. Just like other kids, Zinkoff rides his bike, hopes for snow days, and wants to be like his dad when he grows up. But Zinkoff also raises his hand with all the wrong answers, trips over his own feet, and falls down with laughter over a word like "Jabip." Other kids have their own word to describe him, but Zinkoff is too busy to hear it. He doesn't know he's not like everyone else. And one winter night, Zinkoff's differences show that any name can someday become "hero." With some of his finest writing to date and great wit and humor, Jerry Spinelli creates a story about a boy's individuality surpassing the need to fit in and the genuine importance of failure. As readers follow Zinkoff from first through sixth grade, it becomes impossible not to identify with and root for him through failures and triumphs. The perfect classroom read.

Traces a young man's effort to escape the dangers of the streets and his own nature after graduating from Yale, describing his youth in violent 1980s Newark, efforts to navigate two fiercely insular worlds and life-ending drug deals. 75,000 first printing.

When Melvin moves from the city to Donut (a perfectly round island with a hole in the middle), he thinks it's the most rubbish place ever. Then he meets Rhubarb. Rhubarb is OBSESSED with mysteries

Tom Gates 15: What Monster?

A Novel

A Story about Winning and Losing

The World's Biggest Fart

Geronimo Rex

The eleventh book in this Roald Dahl Funny Prize-winning series. Perfect for fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dog Man, Tom Gates and Pamela Butchart. As far back as Barry can remember, he's always wanted a sausage dog. They're like two of his favourite things (sausages and dogs) squigded together!

Who cares if they bark the whole time, do poos everywhere, need three walks every day and stop you going to the cinema with your friends? Not Barry. Until he actukeely gets a real-life sausage dog, that is. . . Join everyone's favourite Loser on his eleventh hilarious adventure. Don't miss all the other brilliant books by Jim smith! Barry Loser: I am not a loser Barry Loser: I am still not a loser Barry Loser: I am so over being a loser Barry Loser: I am sort of a loser Barry Loser and the holiday of doom Barry Loser and the crumpled carton Barry Loser hates half term! Barry Loser and the birthday billions Barry Loser: Worst school trip EVER Barry Loser is is the best at football NOT Barry Loser's book of keel stuff Barry Loser's christmas joke book! Future Ratboy and the Attack of the Killer Robot Grannies Future Ratboy and the Invasion of the Nom-Noms (Winner of the Scholastic Lollies Award) Future Ratboy and the Quest for the Missing Thingy

Percy Jackson is about to be kicked out of boarding school...again. And that's the least of his troubles. Lately, mythological monsters and the gods of Mount Olympus seem to be walking straight out of the pages of Percy's Greek mythology textbook and into his life. Book #1 in the NYT best-selling series, with cover art from the feature film, The Lightning Thief.

A hilarious new series from best-selling author, Barry Hutchison, perfect for fans of Tom Gates, Wimpy Kid and Barry Loser. "I like to smell my own farts5 "Gah! Someone shut me up! It's been 92 hours since Beaky last told a lie. So far he's survived two full days of school with only three light beatings, two telling-offs and one wedgie ... but the annual school trip is going to take Beaky's survival skills to a whole other level 6 especially as a mix up in the school office means that Beaky and his class are on a trip to Learning Land, an educational theme park aimed at eight-year-olds. And home to cheery-but-creepy Clumso the Clued-up Clown whose job is to dish out fascinating facts to one and all. But there is worse to come when Beaky's partnered with Wayne, a.k.a the school bully, who has a morbid fear of clowns. With Beaky unable to tell a lie and Wayne intent on beating him up, things aren't

looking good. And that's before they find themselves on the run from a manic clown who'll seemingly stop at nothing to track them down5

Praise for How I Became a Quant "Led by two top-notch quants, Richard R. Lindsey and Barry Schachter, How I Became a Quant details the quirky world of quantitative analysis through stories told by some of today's most successful quants. For anyone who might have thought otherwise, there are engaging personalities behind all that number crunching!" --Ira Kawaller, Kawaller & Co. and the Kawaller Fund "A fun and fascinating read. This book tells the story of how academics, physicists, mathematicians, and other scientists became professional investors managing billions." --David A. Krell, President and CEO, International Securities Exchange "How I Became a Quant should be must reading for all students with a quantitative aptitude. It provides fascinating examples of the dynamic career opportunities potentially open to anyone with the skills and passion for quantitative analysis." --Roy D. Henriksson, Chief Investment Officer, Advanced Portfolio Management "Quants"--those who design and implement mathematical models for the pricing of derivatives, assessment of risk, or prediction of market movements--are the backbone of today's investment industry. As the greater volatility of current financial markets has driven investors to seek shelter from increasing uncertainty, the quant revolution has given people the opportunity to avoid unwanted financial risk by literally trading it away, or more specifically, paying someone else to take on the unwanted risk. How I Became a Quant reveals the faces behind the quant revolution, offering you?the?chance to learn firsthand what it's like to be a?quant today. In this fascinating collection of Wall Street war stories, more than two dozen quants detail their roots, roles, and contributions, explaining what they do and how they do it, as well as outlining the sometimes unexpected paths they have followed from the halls of academia to the front lines of an investment revolution.

I Am a Genius of Unspeakable Evil and I Want to Be Your Class President

Dave Barry in Cyberspace

On the Come Up

BARRY LOSER: TOTAL WINNER

The Worst Class Trip Ever

After having her classmates walk away from her during a soccer game at recess because she hogs the ball, is bossy, and cares only about winning, Sally gets some good advice from her teacher and her mother. Includes note to parents.

The second book in the brilliant Roald Dahl Funny Prize winning BARRY LOSER series. Perfect for readers aged 7-10 years old and fans of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Tom Gates and Dennis the Menace. You know when someone's horrible to you in a dream and you wake up really annoyed with them? That's what happened to me with my best friend Bunky. Barry has a new problem: Gordon Smugly - who's got the most perfect name for himself ever in the history of having a name, because he looks like a Gordon and is smug and ugly - has stolen Barry's best friend. Join Barry as he attempts to get Bunky back, organises a girly-screamvoice test and tries to avoid seeing his teacher kissing his gran. Have you got all of Jim Smith ' s amazekeel books? I am not a Loser I am still not a Loser I am so over being a Loser I am sort of a Loser Barry Loser and the holiday of doom Barry Loser and the case of the crumpled carton Barry Loser ' s ultimate book of keelness Barry Loser hates half term My mum is a loser My dad is a loser Future Ratboy and the attack of the killer robot grannies Future Ratboy and the invasion of the nom noms Future Ratboy and the quest for the missing thingy Barry Loser: I am Not a Loser was selected as a Tom Fletcher Book Club 2017 title. Jim Smith is the keelest kids ' book author in the whole wide world amen. He graduated from art school with first class honours (the best you can get) and went on to create the branding for a sweet little chain of coffee shops. He also designs cards and gifts under the name Waldo Pancake.

A New York Times Book Review Notable Book • Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction • Longlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction " Easily the funniest book I ' ve read this year. " —GQ " Masterly funny debut novel. . . Erudite but never pretentious, The Idiot will make you crave more books by Batuman. " —Sloane Crosley, Vanity Fair A portrait of the artist as a young woman. A novel about not just discovering but inventing oneself. The year is 1995, and email is new. Selin, the daughter of Turkish immigrants, arrives for her freshman year at Harvard. She signs up for classes in subjects she has never heard of, befriends her charismatic and worldly Serbian classmate, Svetlana, and, almost by accident, begins corresponding with Ivan, an older mathematics student from Hungary. Selin may have barely spoken to Ivan, but with each email they exchange, the act of writing seems to take on new and increasingly mysterious meanings. At the end of the school year, Ivan goes to Budapest for the summer, and Selin heads to the Hungarian countryside, to teach English in a program run by one of Ivan's friends. On the way, she spends two weeks visiting Paris with Svetlana. Selin's summer in Europe does not resonate with anything she has previously heard about the typical experiences of American college students, or indeed of any other kinds of people. For Selin, this is a journey further inside herself: a coming to grips with the ineffable and exhilarating confusion of first love, and with the growing consciousness that she is doomed to become a writer. With superlative emotional and intellectual sensitivity, mordant wit, and pitch-perfect style, Batuman dramatizes the uncertainty of life on the cusp of adulthood. Her prose is a rare and inimitable combination of tenderness and wisdom; its logic as natural and inscrutable as that of memory itself. The Idiot is a heroic yet self-effacing reckoning with the terror and joy of becoming a person in a world that is as intoxicating as it is disquieting. Batuman's fiction is unguarded against both life's affronts and its beauty--and has at its command the complete range of thinking and feeling which they entail. Named one the best books of the year by Refinery29 • Mashable One • Elle Magazine • The New York Times • Bookpage • Vogue • NPR • Buzzfeed • The Millions

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A hilarious new series from best-selling author, Barry Hutchison, perfect for fans of Tom Gates, Wimpy Kid and Barry Loser. "I like to smell my own farts..." Gah! Someone shut me up! It's been 92 hours since Beaky last told a lie. So far he's survived two full days of school with only three light beatings, two telling-offs and one wedgie ... but the annual school trip is going to take Beaky's survival skills to a whole other level - especially as a mix up in the school office means that Beaky and his class are on a trip to Learning Land, a rubbish theme park aimed at eight-year-olds. And home to cheery-but-creepy Clumso the Clued-up Clown whose job is to dish out fascinating facts to one and all. But there is worse to come when Beaky's partnered with Wayne, a.k.a the school bully, who has a morbid fear of clowns. With Beaky unable to tell a lie and Wayne intent on beating him up, things aren't looking good. And that's before they find themselves on the run from a manic clown who'll seemingly stop at nothing to track them down...

Twelve-year-old Oliver Watson has everyone convinced that he is extremely stupid and lazy, but he is actually a very wealthy evil genius, and when he decides to run for seventh-grade class president, nothing will stand in his way.

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