

TEACHERS VS ALIENS



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Introduction Survival of the Unfittest

You can do **ANYTHING**! You don't believe me, but you **CAN**!

...OK, not quite *anything*... You can't make dogs bark Spanish, turn your thumbs into pineapples, or burp glow-in-the-dark rainbows. But you are capable of **EXTRAORDINARY** things. And the only person who can stop you is...





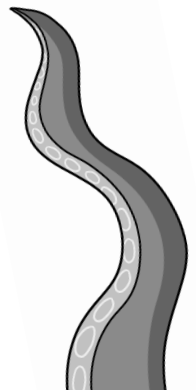
This is the tale of *the* maddest school day... **EVER!!!**

Remember when that school spent twenty-four hours knitting gigantic underpants for elephants? Or that girl who forgot World Book Day, so she sellotaped bread to her face and pretended she was a cookbook? Or Show and Tell when that boy brought in a talking Dalmatian but it turned out it was his little brother with measles?! Well, this day was a gazillion times madder than all of these!

This day was **UNBELIEVABLE**.

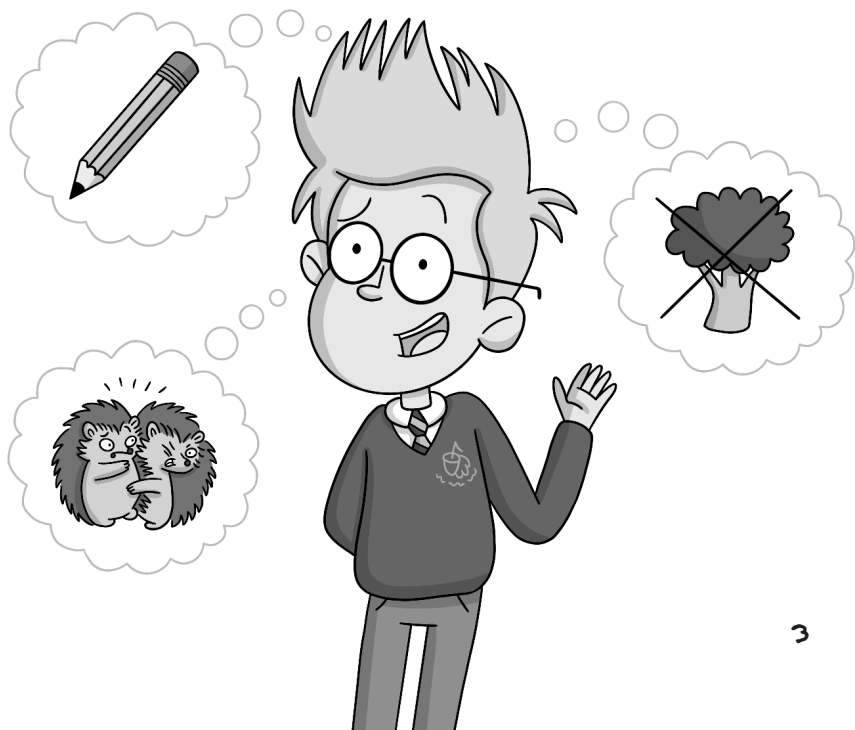
You know how teachers normally have everything under control? Well, on this day, they didn't. They were all over the place like a bowl of soup on a rollercoaster.

But how do you begin a story about the day Planet Earth faced **TOTAL** destruction? Well, an unusual day



should start in an unusual place, not with terrified teachers nor with tentacled attackers, but with a small bookish child named Finley...

Like you, Finley thought he was *just* another school kid. He was quiet and skinny, with messy blond hair that looked like a porcupine snorkeling in custard. He loved drawing, struggled with broccoli, and wondered how hedgehogs hugged without injuring each other.

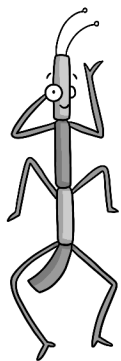


Top 5 Things You Should Know About Finley:

- 5) His best friend is called Lyra
- 4) He has a stick insect named Harvey Blood-Sucker (who is strictly vegetarian)
- 3) He likes making lists (and even makes lists of his favourite lists)
- 2) He dislikes broccoli,* and...
- 1) He LOVES school!

* Because it looks like mini trees and eating it makes him feel like a giant koala!

Finley really did love school. If he **HAD** to pick a favourite subject, it'd be science. If he **HAD** to be best buddies with a class, it'd be maths. And



if he **HAD** to marry a lesson, then it'd be... completely weird, let's be honest. But he **LOVED** learning things!

It's difficult to believe, then, that the fate of the entire **WORLD** would end up in the hands of this scrawny, school-adoring pipsqueak! Finley wasn't some mega-strong superhero* with big muscley arms that looked like someone had stuffed his jumper with armadillos. Finley's arms were more like soggy, out-of-date spaghetti.

In truth, Finley was the absolute **LAST** person you would want the future of your planet to depend upon...

** Unless there's a new superhero called Asthma Boy... Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's out of breath and needs its inhaler!*

List of People You'd Ask to
Save the World Before Finley:

- 1) Everyone
- 2) Everyone else
- 3) A passing squirrel named Darren
- 4) A potato... a ladybird... or a bowl of cake!
- 5) Everything else... (including Harvey Blood-Sucker)
- 6) Finley

And this is his story...