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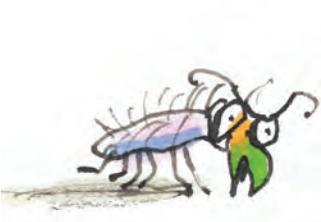
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# Chapter 1



February was Horrid Henry's  
favourite month.  
His birthday was in February.

“It’s my birthday soon!” said Henry  
every day after Christmas.



“And my birthday party! Hurray!”

February was Horrid Henry's parents' least favourite month.



“It’s Henry’s birthday soon,”  
said Dad, groaning.



“And his birthday party,” said Mum,  
groaning even louder.



Every year they thought Henry's birthday parties could not get worse. But they always did.

Every year Henry's parents said they would never ever let Henry have a birthday party again. But every year they gave Henry one absolutely last final chance.



Henry had big plans for this year's party.