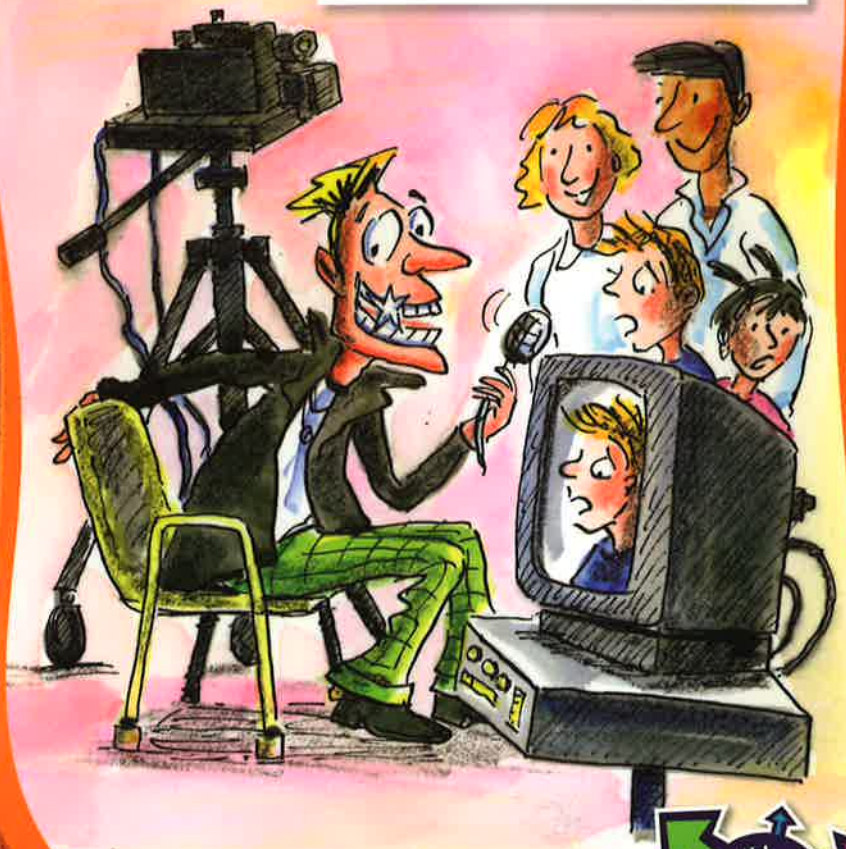
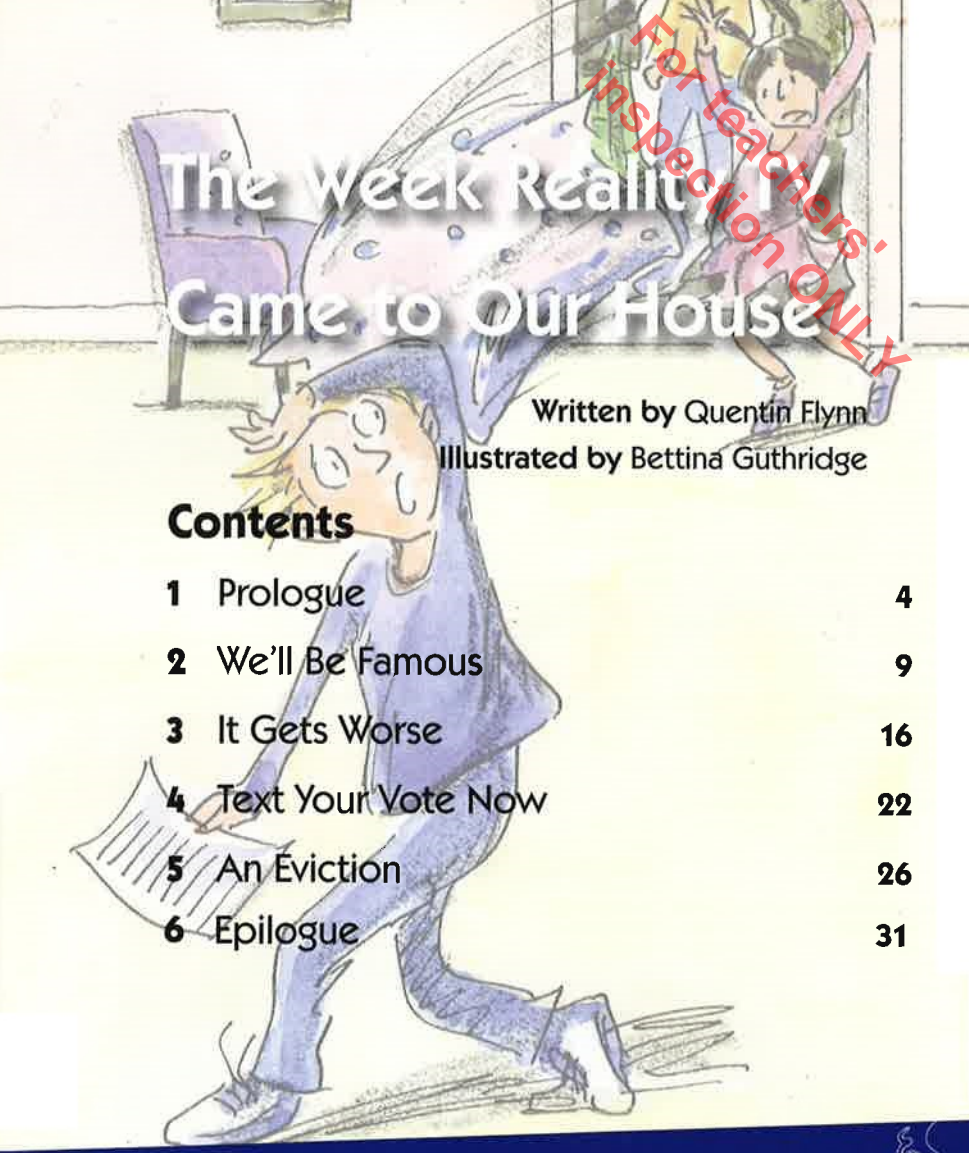
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Meet the Characters



A Reluctant TV Star

The narrator of the story.



Soupy Slickback

A reality TV host.



Louella

The reluctant TV star's sister.



Mr Cooper

The reluctant TV star's dad.



Mrs Cooper

The reluctant TV star's mum.

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POSTCARD

Dear Reader

Having a TV crew make a reality TV show about your family might sound like a lot of fun – but what would happen if they really did film everything – and I mean EVERYTHING that happened in your house?

Here's a fun story about one family who found out!

Quentin Flynn
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Program Schedule



Coming Soon! Don't Miss It

World's **Wildest** Families on TV



News and Weather 6.00 pm



Kids' Movies on Demand 7.30 pm

Channel 88: The best channel between 87 & 89!

1 Prologue

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It's almost time for another thrill-packed day at school.

My tongue is getting its early-morning workout. I'm desperately trying to dislodge the last troublesome chunks of peanut butter from my teeth.

I've got the light off and I'm trying to be as quiet as I can. I'm in the … the … you know, the smallest room.

It's the only peace and quiet I can get.



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World's Wildest Families on TV

This week featuring THE COOPER FAMILY!

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Millimetre by millimetre, I unravel the toilet roll. I can't risk making a sound.

SUDDENLY THE TOILET ROLL HOLDER SQUEAKS! My heart thuds and I close my eyes. Oh no!

Seconds later, I hear the thunder of heavy footsteps up the hallway. A blindingly bright light illuminates the crack under the door. Voices whisper excitedly. There's a frenzied knocking on the door!

My heart rate increases to about a thousand beats a minute.



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Like in a horror movie, the door handle creaks down and the door swings open! I'm blinded by bright lights. A camera operator, the sound crew, the director and Soupy Slickback, the host of *World's Wildest Families on TV*, all crowd into the toilet.

"Welcome back, folks!" shouts Soupy into the camera. He grins and the diamond filling in his front tooth sparkles. "We're live, here at the Cooper family home. You're watching *World's Wildest Families on TV*, the reality show where we follow a normal family for one whole week! Remember, your phone votes will result in ONE FAMILY MEMBER BEING EVICTED FROM THE HOUSE!"





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Soupy whirls around and shoves his microphone into my face for a reaction.

"What?" I gulp. It's bad enough that I can't even go to the toilet in peace.

But this is the first time I've heard of being voted out *of my own home!*





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2 We'll Be Famous

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Three weeks ago, my big sister Louella had been watching *World's Wildest Families on TV.* During an ad break, they'd flashed up an email address to write to if you wanted to be on the show.

So what did my big sister do? You guessed it. Two weeks ago, Soupy Slickback and the director turned up on our doorstep. They were trying to persuade Mum and Dad to be part of the show.

"You'll be famous!" said Soupy, flashing his most seductive diamond-sparkling smile.

