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*Can't get enough of Charlie Higson's gruesome Enemy series? This exclusive short story will satisfy that thirst for more blood and gore!*

In a changed world where adults have become sickos ravaged by disease, everyone under the age of fourteen is fighting to survive.

Chris and his friends are determined to mark World Book Day, but when a fellow survivor turns against them they're left defenceless. Can they stop a gruesome attack from their violent enemy in a deadly battle of geeks vs zombies?

## The Enemy: Geeks vs Zombies Details

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## **From Reader Review The Enemy: Geeks vs Zombies for online ebook**

### **Dan says**

This is a fun short story from the world of The Enemy, where children are the only survivors of a terrible disease which killed most of the adults and turned the remaining ones into what are effectively zombies.

This world book day tie in seems some of the kids at the Natural History Museum attempt to celebrate World Book Day but they are teased about it by bully James and zombie "scientist" Paul, who is still trying to get over the loss of his sister. He loses it and suddenly the geeks have to save themselves from the zombies.

It is good fun but the story could do with some fleshing out a bit, which is perhaps appropriate for a zombie story. I just felt it needed a proper ending where there is actually some acknowledgement of what happened.

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### **Janice Bonczek says**

This short story was not enough to hold me over. I need books 6 & 7! That is how addictive this series is.

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### **Fionn says**

I read this a few months after finishing the main series and it was really nice to read something new with these characters again.

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### **Tasha says**

This short story gets an extra star for it being World Book Day and referencing Rincewind.

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### **Chia says**

I LOVE IT SO MUCH

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### **Maddison says**

[the kids in the museum reacted with Paul let them out. (hide spoiler)]

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## **Courtney Nicole says**

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How did I not know this little one existed?

Was a good little reminder and prep-er for me since I'm about to start the last and final book in the series. & my gosh, that ending for one of the kids in this story.. bummer but I'm not surprised because it's Higson, he's not nice to any of these kids.

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## **Michael Kelly says**

I read this book first by mistake. It's actually a short story which ties in with a larger series of novels. As it happens, this wasn't a handicap, as the situation was made clear very quickly and without a huge info-dump: a group of kids have made themselves a safe place in the British Museum after a disease has killed most adults and left the rest as brainless, cannibalistic horrors (zombies, basically).

The book is obviously aimed at kids or young adults, but doesn't shy away from using the kinds of everyday swear words that kids would know and use. Nor does it shy away from gore, with blood, pus and turds all present in quantity. It's the exuberance in this area which actually gives the book its charm (if that's the right word in the context).

It's very well written. My first instinct upon discovering my mistake was to put it aside till I'd read the earlier books first, but I didn't want to put it down.

It is a short story, so the plot is brief. Basically, some of the kids decide to stage a World Book Day and sit up all night reading. Others, however, are twisted by the grief they have experienced and naturally all falls into terror and chaos as the 'sickos' (infected adults) enter the building looking for supper.

The sense of peril is real, the descriptions are good, the characters are well-defined.

I'm looking forward to starting reading this series properly from the beginning!

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## **Emily Lightfoot says**

OMG

For 60 pages, that was so much fun. A very, very quick read AND MY FIRST OF 2014. It was so intriguing to read what actually went down on World Book Day before the events in The Fallen as well as learn a little more about Paul, who, despite everything, I love as a character.

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## **Alessandra says**

Geeks vs. Zombies is a nice addition to the enemy series. I've read it right after the enemy, because I'm still waiting for my other books to arrive and I craved another part of the story.

It hasn't got much plot, but it's only a short story so there shouldn't be much plot anyway. It still was an interesting short story about the kids in the Natural History Museum. There were some characters which weren't that likable, but it was a nice change from the enemy where I couldn't really decide if I liked some characters or not.

If you enjoyed the series I would highly recommend this to you.

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### **Helen Varley says**

I read this first by mistake, but it does give you a quick insight as to what to expect from the series.

I reread it when I got the relevant part in the series and the whole thing made a lot more sense. I don't think it works that well as a standalone piece but is a nice xtra if you are reading the series.

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### **Martyn Perry says**

Another great addition to The Enemy franchise in this short story, originally published for World Book Day 2012.

This story features familiar characters from The Enemy series and fits somewhere between The Sacrifice and The Fallen, the opening scenes of Higson's latest following directly on from this book.

Seeing as it's only a short diversion, there's not too much going on, but we do get a short story told with the usual style of humour, horror and action.

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### **Cameron says**

Wow. Great short story.

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### **Hans Christian Cristobal says**

alex rider and discworld references! 3.5 i guess

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### **Mia Michalek says**

I am loving this series!

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