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When inspiration disappears, adventures begin.

My 8-Year-Old Self and the Sophomore Slump

A humorous and heartfelt illustrated adventure about creativity, self-doubt, and the power of not giving up.

by Mike Ivy

About Mike Ivy

Mike Ivy is an Austin-based artist and former art educator with 25 years of teaching experience. His work blends nostalgia, humor, and the surreal, drawing inspiration from Charles M. Schulz, Edward Gorey, and science fiction.

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Author-illustrator Mike Ivy's 8-year-old self returns in the second volume of his "somewhat fictitious" illustrated memoir series—for another round of adventures and artistic meltdowns.

After completing the first epic issue of his comic book, *Space Dog*, MY 8-YEAR-OLD SELF is ready to create something even bigger and better. There's just one problem. **He can't.**

None of his ideas feel good enough. None of his drawings come out right. **Is his comic-book career over after only one issue?**

Between battling the minions of the evil Megalomaniac, executing top-secret Halloween candy operations, and taking strategic cookie breaks, My 8-Year-Old Self must face his greatest enemy yet: the dreaded **Sophomore Slump**.

But there is that upcoming field trip to the art museum...

Perfect for young creators, lifelong geeks, and anyone who has ever stared at a blank page and wondered, "NOW WHAT?"

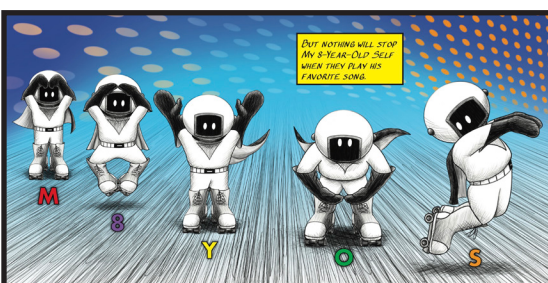
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