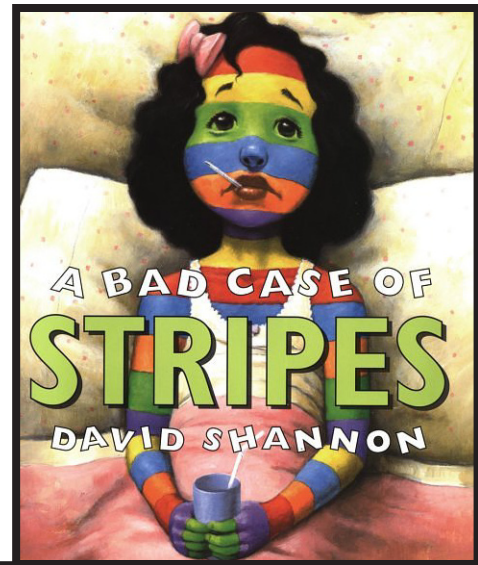


STORYLINE ONLINE PRESENTS:

"A BAD CASE OF STRIPES"

By *David Shannon*

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BOOK SUMMARY

Camilla Cream loves lima beans, but she never eats them. Why? Because the other kids at her school don't like them. And Camilla Cream is very, very worried about what other people think of her. In fact, she is so worried that she's about to break out in... A Bad Case of Stripes.

RELATED ACTIVITIES

- Tell or write about a time you were sick.
- Tell or write about your experiences at your Doctor's Office.
- Write or cut out words to make a collection of Disease Words.
- Tell or write about something that you have ever been teased about.
- Discuss or write about why lima beans cured Camilla.
- Using pictures and/or words make lists of your Favorite Foods and your Least Favorite.
- In the book, it says the old woman was "as plump and sweet as a strawberry." This kind of writing is called a simile because it compares two things using like or as. Write some similes of your own comparing people you know and food.

MORE ACTIVITIES

- Draw a picture of your doctor.
- Collect recipes for dishes using beans. Make a Bean Recipe Cookbook.
- Prepare some of the recipes and have a Bean Party.
- Survey your classmates or friends about their favorite beans to eat. Make a graph to show the results of the data you collected.
- Make a display of as many different beans that you can find. Do some research about these beans to add facts to your display.

INTERNET ACTIVITIES

Lima beans are a major part of the story *A Bad Case of Stripes*. Go to these websites to learn more about lima beans.

Lima Beans: Go to www.en.wikipedia.org then type "origin of lima beans" in the search box and click on "Go". Read the information, take notes and then write a report about how lima beans were discovered and how they are grown. Make a display board of what you learned.

Food Facts & Trivia: Go to www.foodreference.com/html/flimabeans.html then type "lima beans" in the search box and click on "Go" to find out all kinds of interesting facts and trivia about lima beans. Make a list of the most intriguing information you find. Share your information with someone.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

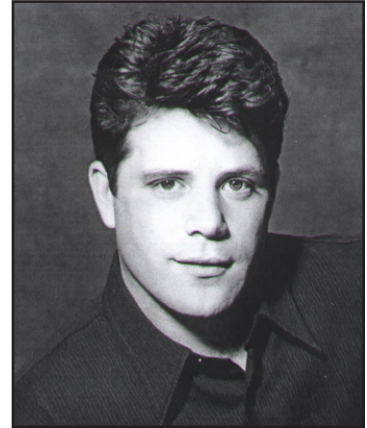
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Other books by David Shannon:
"No, David"
"David Goes to School"
"Duck on Bike"
"The Rain Came Down"

ABOUT THE READER

SEAN ASTIN was most recently seen starring in the first installment of "The Lord of the Rings." He portrays the hobbit "Sam Gamgee," a member of the fellowship of creatures searching for a ring with evil powers. Astin will also be prominent in the next two "Lord of the Rings" movies that are being released in 2002 and 2003.



Astin is also a promising director. He received an Academy Award nomination for his short film "Kangaroo Court," which he co-produced with his wife Christine, and directed an episode for the HBO anthology, "Perversions of Science."

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