

# Worst Day Ever

Story By: Andrew Frinkle

Karen woke up with a stiff neck. She couldn't turn it to the left.  
The light bulb burned out when she went to the bathroom to brush her teeth.  
The toothpaste squirted on her shirt.

When she got dressed, her favorite shirt had a hole in it.  
Her sock ripped when she put it on.  
She put her pants on backwards at first.

For breakfast, her favorite cereal was gone.  
She ate another instead, except that the milk had curdled.  
It came out of the jug lumpy.  
Gross! She skipped breakfast completely.

She missed the school bus.  
Her Dad had to take her to school, and he wasn't happy.  
She left her homework at home, and the teacher was angry.

At lunch they were all out of Salisbury steak.  
She had to have gooey mac n' cheese instead, which she didn't much care for.  
The ketchup for her fries sprayed on her pants.

At P.E. class, she tripped and skinned her knee.  
The boy in front of her bumped her when she was getting back on the bus to go home.  
That made her bite her tongue.

By the time she got home, she just wanted to take a shower and go to bed.  
There was no hot water, because her brother had used it all up.

It was the worst day ever, so she went to bed anyway...

*not knowing that her alarm clock batteries were dead!*



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  - B. She can't get the lunch she wants.
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