



Title: Frankie Pickle Author/Illustrator: Eric Wight

Like most kids, Frankie Pickle hates cleaning his room. But what happens when his Mom says he never has to clean it again! Frankie and his unstoppable imagination mean fun. He and his side-kick Argyle become explorers swinging on vines, forging paths through piles of clothes, and scooting past lava pits! They perform flawless surgery on a broken action figure! They spend time in the big house. They even become superheroes. But will all this imagining be enough to conquer... the closet of DOOM?

Let's Talk

Who are the characters?

Where does the story take place? Home and imagination?

Do you like the graphic novel style chapters or the paragraph format chapters better? Why?

What is the problem? How does Frankie solve it?

Do you have chores around your house? Do you have to keep your room clean? Why?

What do you think will happen to Frankie next?

Try This

Practice drawing a graphic novel. Draw boxes on a paper and then draw and write in a character doing something. Or search for "graphic novel template" online and print.

Do a laundry clean up race. Make two teams. Take two laundry baskets and place them on the opposite sides of the room. Have socks spread around. Each team tries to get as many socks into the laundry basket before the timer rings.

Test everyone's laundry basketball skills. Make a line and have each person try to throw a sock into a laundry basket that is down the hall.

Pop some frozen waffles into the toaster and eat waffles while talking about the book. Mmmm.

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