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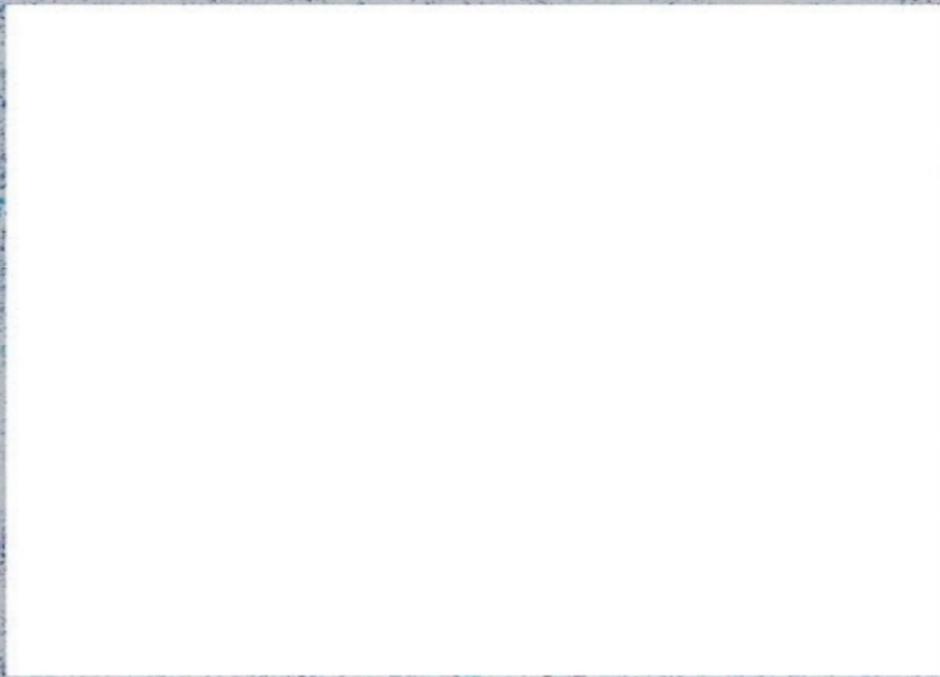
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*The front page section is set aside for teachers and youth clubs to include a personal message about their fundraising project along with a class or club photo.*

*(Class or Club Photo Can Be Inserted Here)*



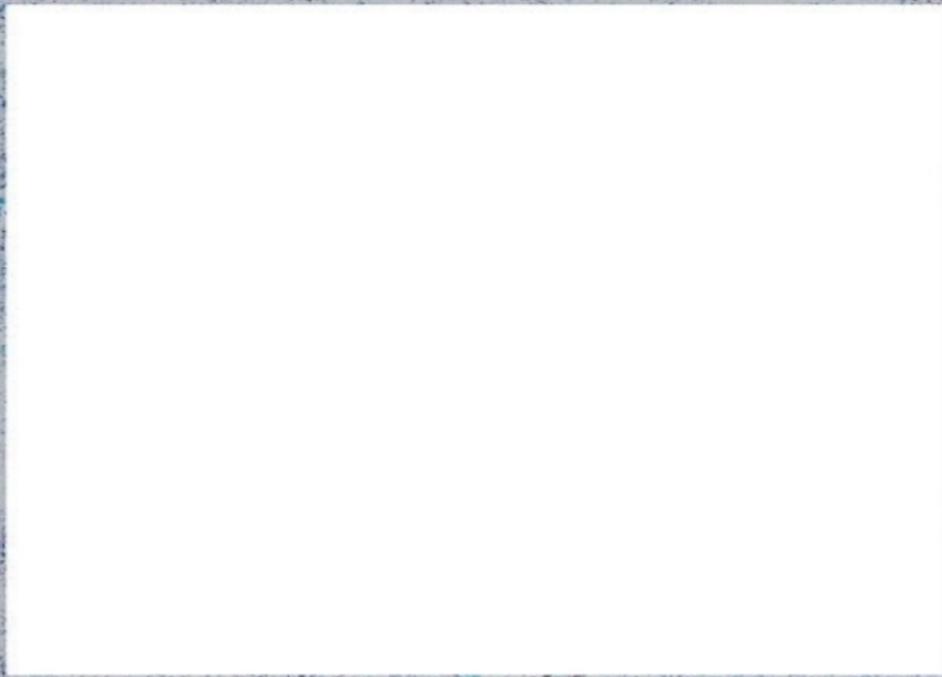
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*Once was a grumpy, cantankerous bear,  
Who sat on his haunches, with his nose in the air,  
And looked down on the others without much of  
a care,  
Just a smug snort of his nose, and an arrogant  
glare,*

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*Just where did he sit? Up, up, up over there,  
Judging everyone else with a most angry stare,  
Thinking of only himself, and how the world was  
unfair,  
Keeping feelings within he'd only take never  
share,*



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*Unless the sharing was blaming, and that he  
would do,  
Naming, blaming, and shaming, no matter if it  
was true,  
He would look down on the others, and name,  
blame, and shame,  
He would look down on the others, acted Big  
Boss Bear of the game:*

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*The joy of a child's imagination, play, and self-discovery is beyond measure - to which every loving parent is truly grateful for the teachers and schools that provide the direction, support, and care to help our children learn.*

*The frustration of a teacher's lack of resources, funds, and support for needed school activities is also all-too-common and at times beyond measure – to which every loving parent is truly concerned for the teachers and schools that provide the direction, support, and care to help our children learn.*

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*As a teacher and parent, I share this same gratitude and frustration, and have designed a humble platform to try to help in some small way:*

*Imaginative, playful storybooks that are designed to support our children's self-discovery and expression, while also supporting the teachers and schools that help shape our children and that are in need of our support.*

*Tabula Rasa © storybooks...*

*Each storybook in this series is designed to be fun, playful, imaginative, and to have some message that relates to positive life-skills, good manners, and self-respect.*

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*Sections throughout the book are intentionally left blank, awaiting YOUR images to be inserted (student drawings, class photos, etc.). You choose between a final e-book design with your images, a final paperback design with your images, or BOTH, for your class, school, or club fundraiser.*

*This design provides the flexibility and creative freedom for each teacher or school to design their own lesson plans, and to use this project as a Service-Learning project for much needed funds for their classroom or school.*

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## COLLABORATIVE FUNDRAISING

*Teachers and students are able to co-design the artwork of their class Tabula Rasa © storybooks, and to then sell as a fundraiser to support their class (supplies, class trips, etc.) or other community service projects.*

*Along with being a wonderful classroom exercise in collaboration, creativity, and contribution, the storybooks themselves carry positive messages.*

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*The entire process can be implemented as a Service-Learning experience in which each student learns the value of team-work, contributes to a group cause, and learns the underlying messages in the different storybooks:*

- Conflict resolution;*
- Communication skills; and,*
- Having the confidence to speak up for one's self.*