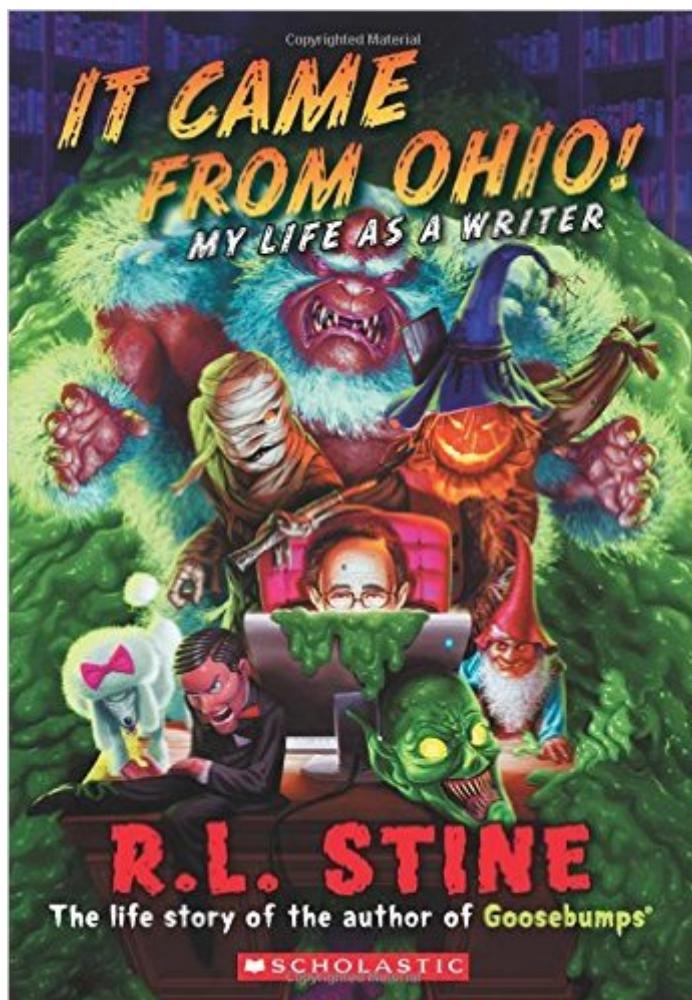


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# It Came From Ohio!: My Life As A Writer



## **Synopsis**

The autobiography of RL Stine, creator of the Goosebumps series, now a motion picture in theaters October 16, 2015! Has he had a horrifying life? -Was RL Stine a SCARY kid? -Did he have a WEIRD family? -Did his friends at school think he was STRANGE? - Why does he like to TERRIFY his readers? -Where does he get the frightening ideas for his stories? All of your questions about best-selling your favorite author are answering in this STINE-TINGLING life story! For the first time ever, RL Stine reveals what he was like when he was YOUR age--and what his scary life is like TODAY! Plus: Private snapshots and photos from his family album! Â

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## **Customer Reviews**

It Came From Ohio This is a book about R.L. Stine's growth from an infant to an adult. This book is filled with pictures, humor, and more about his exciting life in Ohio. Did you know that R.L. Stine has written over 100 books in his career? One of the reasons I like this book is because you spend 85% of the time laughing your head off. Another reason I like this wonderful masterpiece is because he includes lots of interesting pictures of him and his family, which are very unique. I have no dislikes so I can not criticize this book. I highly recommend It Came From Ohio to readers from age 9 and up.

One of my earliest memories is a scary one. This is one of the first sentences in the autobiography of writer R.L. Stine, who writes horror for children. I love reading and writing, which is one of the reasons I love this book. Another reason I enjoyed this is because his life is very interesting. I also like the pictures in the book. They are black and white photographs that look like they came from his family photo album. It's really cool. Did you know that R.L. Stine gets a lot of his ideas for his books from real life? For instance, when he was a kid, he loved watching horror movies. His favorites were *It Came From Beneath the Sea* and *Night of the Living Dead*. He was inspired by those and has written the books *It Came from Beneath the Sink* and *Night of the Living Dummy*. One day when he was at camp, he had to earn the "Turtle badge" by jumping in the pool, swimming across and then back. When it was his turn, he was too scared to jump in. Now, he writes the same terror into the characters in his books. When R.L. Stine was young, he was "fearful" and was not "bold or adventurous". He said, "I liked staying in my room and writing stories and making little magazines and comics. I'm exactly like him in that way so I can relate to this. It makes me feel like I'm not alone." In the back of the book, R.L. Stine answers the top twenty most-asked questions about him and his books. He says one of the best things about being an author is having your books translated into tons of different languages all around the world. That way so many more people get to read them. R.L. Stine has written over three hundred thirty books! Did you know that he wrote all those books typing with one finger? Well, it's true. I think that's amazing. At the end of the book, he says, "I'm so grateful to my readers." He continues to say that he will keep writing books as long as people still enjoy them. I'm so glad R.L. Stine chose to share his life with us. Reviewed by Connor C, Age 8, Boston Mensa

My son had to write a book report about an author. He loves the R.L. Stine Goosebump books and the movie so of course he chose R.L. Stine for the report. All the details he needed for the report were all there of course written by his favorite author. He made a 98% on the report.

I like this book because it had large type and I found it very easy to read. This would be a good book for readers who are not so advanced yet, because here you don't have to worry about difficult words. It's also funny and the pictures were a great addition to the book. It really stuck to the "My Life as a Writer" part of the title, because it just says how R.L. Stine has been writing all his life, from little comics to magazines and finally to books, and the rest of it, which wasn't all that much, was about his family. This is the perfect book I know about that will help fans learn about R.L. Stine, so I

suggest you read it and see what you think.

It Came from Ohio is a really interesting book to read. The book tells about everything that R.L Stine did in his life. I learned that R.L Stine likes to write comics and magazines. He had a creepy life, especially when he went up in his attic when he was not supposed to. He thought there was something up there. Since his family was about to move to a new house, he had to go up stairs sooner or later. When he went up there his mom caught him. That was one of the scariest moments of his life. If you like autobiographies then I recommend this book to all people and especially children. I think they will have a good time.

I bought this book for my daughter when she was doing a project on R.L. Stine, There were lots of different, interesting information, but it was a little hard for my daughter to pick out the important facts and pieces. Overall, it was a good addition to her project.

A combination of comedy, horror & life all in one. For example, at the end of one of the chapters, he says he'll rob a bank, next chapter he says "only kidding " (my favourite part.) so any way it's my favourite book by my favourite author,& that's why I gave it 5 stars.

I loved this book! It was full of dry (funny) humor and extremely interesting! It's written from RL Stine's point of view, and even shows pictures of his family. I said that's it's a great book for amateur writers because, he talks about how he actually reads kid and teen magazines to get ideas to make his stories so realistic! Also, he talks about how he and his brother told each other really weird stories at night. This plus a discovery in the attic is what jump started his career, but I won't give it away. No wonder his stories are so great! I always wondered why. I am an adult fan of his books, and this is why I picked this book up at a school's library that I was subbing at. I am glad I did, what a great read!

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