Dr. Zee Publishing Expands Its Story World Universe With a New Collection of Witty, Wacky, Whimsical Children's Stories

From a talking Moon and striking Clouds to determined bread and a floating fish, Dr. Zee's Story World Universe is where the impossible feels perfectly at home.



Dr. Zee's Story World Universe brings together a growing collection of witty, wacky, whimsical children's stories designed to inspire laughter, curiosity, imagination, and a love of reading.

SCHAUMBURG, IL, UNITED STATES, September 17, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC, doing business as Dr. Zee Publishing, announces the expansion of Dr. Zee's Story World Universe, an imaginative children's storytelling world where humor, heart, curiosity, and boundless imagination come together to inspire young readers.

The collection introduces original characters whose imaginative adventures explore themes of curiosity, courage, family, friendship, self-discovery, perseverance, independence, and seeing the world from unexpected perspectives.

Newer titles include Day Leaf Caliph Leaves, NOT Gonna Be Toast, Rainbow City, Oumi's Wish, Cuddles Kisses, Moon Maha Thinks She Needs a Holiday, Alam, Nana & the Tiny Ants, FIN (The Fish Who Preferred Floating), Worst Prank EVER, Cloud 9, and Raaji and the Clouds That Refused to Rain.

Together, the stories expand Dr. Zee Publishing from individual children's books into a larger universe where characters, places, and adventures can grow beyond a single story.

Welcome to a World Where Almost Anything Can Happen

Here, the ordinary has a habit of becoming wonderfully extraordinary.

A leaf's grocery trip can ignite the biggest neighborhood scandal his family tree has ever seen. Bread can object strongly to becoming breakfast. A Rainbow can have a city of his own. A child can wish for a real dinosaur. Tiny ants can have journeys. A floating fish can discover his fins are capable of more than he imagined.

And the Moon may decide she deserves a holiday.



Zainab M. Lee, President & CEO of Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC, the parent company of Dr. Zee Publishing.

"Children do not have to choose between a story that makes them think and one that makes them laugh," said Dr. Zee, Founder of Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC. "Some of the most memorable lessons arrive wrapped in silliness, imagination, tenderness, or a question nobody thought to ask."

Meet the Stories

> If a child closes one of my books believing the Moon has feelings, clouds need lawyers, bread has career goals, AND dinosaurs might still answer wishes—my work here is done."
>
> *Dr. Zee, Founder, Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC*

In Day Leaf Caliph Leaves, an ordinary grocery trip becomes Apartment Branch 12B's biggest scandal when a rainstorm, delayed return, dramatic neighbors, and glamorous Violet Breeze Leaf fuel runaway gossip.

In NOT Gonna Be Toast, Benji is bread—and everyone has decided what bread should become. Benji disagrees—in a playful story about individuality and why one's future perhaps should not be decided by somebody holding a toaster.

Rainbow City introduces Chase, an inquisitive young Rainbow. Oumi's Wish follows a child determined to meet a real dinosaur, while Cuddles Kisses celebrates affection, comfort, and connection.

Then there is Maha: magnificent, radiant, loving, dramatic, occasionally offended—and tired. In Moon Maha Thinks She Needs a Holiday, the Moon suspects she is overdue for some time off.

Alam, Nana & the Tiny Ants asks whether an ant crossing the floor might simply be going home to his own Nana.

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In FIN (The Fish Who Preferred Floating), Fin has mastered floating, but swimming is another matter. His journey explores perseverance, independence, confidence, and learning something new without abandoning what he already loves.

And Then Raaji Arrived

Some children explore their world quietly.

Raaji is not one of those children.

An aspiring astronaut with enormous curiosity and a talent for finding himself wherever something unusual is happening, Raaji connects the expanding universe through Worst Prank EVER, Cloud 9, and Raaji and the Clouds That Refused to Rain.

Worst Prank EVER turns Raaji's own prank back on him when the joke he played on readers at the end of Sun Needs a Holiday becomes astonishingly real: the Sun IS Calling His Name, the Flowers CAN Talk, and the Universe has been waiting for HIM. Cloud 9 takes Raaji Cosmic into a world where the Sun, Moon, Stars, Clouds, and Rainbows have personalities, relationships—and grievances. So when the Clouds Refuse to Rain, of course Raaji must Step Right IN.

In Raaji and the Clouds That Refused to Rain, the Clouds are refusing to rain—and they have their reasons. The story turns a natural phenomenon into an adventure combining humor, curiosity, and problem-solving.

Readers also encounter the Cosmic Complaint Committee, where apparently even celestial bodies require paperwork.

Where Imagination Becomes a Doorway to Learning

Dr. Zee Publishing's literacy philosophy is simple: stories can become starting points.

The Moon can inspire conversations about space. Leaf Caliph can prompt discussions about assumptions and communication. Ants can encourage curiosity about living things. Rainbows can lead to questions about color and light. Oumi can spark interest in dinosaurs and fossils. Fin can begin conversations about perseverance.

And sometimes a talking piece of bread can simply make a child laugh.

Both experiences matter.

"We want children to finish a story and still have something left to do with it," Dr. Zee said. "Maybe they ask a question. Maybe they draw something. Maybe they investigate something they discovered. Maybe they invent an entirely new adventure. The final page should not always feel like the end. Sometimes it should feel like an invitation."

One Universe, Many Doorways Into Reading

Some children want humor. Others want adventure, animals, science, space, family—or characters who somehow tumble into the most wonderfully unexpected adventures.

Some simply want to know why the Moon is upset.

And perhaps a few would rather float.

The Story World Universe allows characters to intersect across books, digital stories, literacy resources, educational activities, videos, read-aloud experiences, and future multimedia programming.

"Books will always be at the heart of what we create," Dr. Zee added. "But a wonderful story does something extraordinary: it keeps living inside a child's imagination after the book is closed. That is where stories become possibilities—and where young readers begin creating worlds of their own."

The collection and Dr. Zee's Story World Universe can be explored at drzeepublishing.org.

About Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC

Lee Enterprise Ventures, LLC is a Northern Illinois-based creative and educational enterprise focused on children's book publishing, literacy resources, imaginative learning experiences, educational content, and practical reading support for parents, teachers, grandparents, librarians, healthcare workers, and young readers. Its flagship brand, Dr. Zee Publishing, creates

witty, wacky, whimsical, magical, and heartfelt children’s stories, literacy resources, and learning experiences designed to encourage reading, curiosity, imagination, creativity, and learning through play.

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