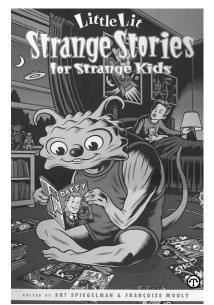


Strange Stories

(NAPSA)—For some children, an ordinary bedtime story just won't do. Fortunately, finding outof-the-ordinary books to spark a child's imagination does not require extraordinary effort.



A new book is a magnet for star artists and writers who never before created a comic for children.

One imaginative example of books for creative young minds is *Little Lit: Strange Stories for Strange Kids* (HarperCollins, \$19.95), which celebrates the magic of the comics.

In this book, Pulitzer prize winning author and comic artist Art Spiegelman, and Francoise Mouly, art editor of *The New Yorker*, bring together celebrated artists and writers who discover a source of renewed creativity in comics for kids. The book features creations by Paul Auster, David Sedaris, Maurice Sendak, and Barbara McClintock.

Many of the stories offer an offbeat look at everyday occurrences as well as childhood fantasies, such as having a fairy godmother, sprouting multiple selves and becoming invisible. The result is a wonderful compendium of original stories, games, mazes and picture puzzles.