After the gang got a little pyromaniacal at the Mandibles place, nothings as it should be. Wally has suddenly turned into an eternal optimist, Vampire Dad wants to give the twins up for adoption, and Cheyenne has been acting awfully, well, hypnotized lately. Meanwhile, everyone in downtown Cincinnati is snorting and snuffling from a mysterious and deadly flu virus--and the ont larvae are quietly gaining strength underground.

Luckily, a suspicious stranger with a syringe shows up to give Wally a free vaccination. (Now, there couldnt possibly be anything wrong with that picture, could there?)

My Personal Review:
Now that Wally Shluffmuffin has helped (accidentally, of course) kill Dagmar Mandible and hundreds of ant babies, he is a marked man - the Ont Queen wants him killed. In order to do this Hedy Mandible commissions an assassin known as The Jackal to kill him. Unaware of all this, the usually pessimistic Wally has decided to become an optimist, even though he is concerned because his twin sister Cheyenne has been acting oddly. As if that wasnt enough, when Cheyenne becomes very sick, Vampire Dad makes a bargain that will give the twins to the Spydelles if she recovers. Now hes not so sure he wants to fulfill his part of the bargain and Wally and Cheyenne arent sure they want him to either. Who will Wally and Cheyenne end up living with? Will The Jackal succeed in killing Wally? Why is Cheyenne acting so oddly and going into the woods late at night? Why does everyone in Cincinnati have the flu?

The Shluffmuffin Boy is History is the fifth book in Dan Greenburgs Secrets of Dripping Fang series and it is as enjoyable and fun to read as the other books in the series. While the series is aimed for ages 8 - 12, readers of all
ages will enjoy the book. Kids will love things like having a vampire for a
dad, the concept of giant ants taking over the world, a troll doctor, giant
spiders, gnomes, wolves, and slugs. Adults will appreciate the humor that
children may not quite get - the hired assassin, The Jackal, is in fact a real
jackal and the scene where Hedy hires him is hilarious; the ease in which
Vampire Dad buys a gun; trolls as doctors and store clerks; and Vampire
Dad trying to call 911, as well as the chapter titles. While there are some
suspenseful moments, some seemingly involving death, none of the
elements are too scary for children as the vampires, trolls, wolves, etc. are
all played for laughs. Scott Fischers wonderful illustrations also add much
to the humor in the book. Since this is part of an ongoing series, the book
doesnt wrap everything up. The teaser for the sixth book in the series,
Attack of the Giant Octopus is also very funny.

The Shluffmuffin Boy is History is fun reading for young and old alike.

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