ACT II

SCENE 4

 AT RISE: (Children's bedroom, bedtime,

 same night, MOTHER still reading

 to MOLLY and THOMAS.)

THOMAS

 Wow...half dragon...he's like half dragon now! Whoa.

 That's wicked.

MOLLY

 This did not turn out at all like I thought it would. I

 thought one of them would have to die.

THOMAS

 So what about the other boy?

MOTHER

 The other?...Oh, yes...the boy the story is written for.

MOLLY

 He was burned too...wasn't he?

MOTHER

 He was.

THOMAS

 Did he get new skin?

MOTHER

 He did. And he was very, *very* brave...just like Ethan.

 (BLACK OUT)

 (END OF SCENE)