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)