

The Megasaurus

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illustrations by Len DiSalvo
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Who will save Beandom from the Megasaurus?

What's the King of Beandom to do? The tiny, multicolored bear-shaped bears of Beandom are under attack by a monster. Who will save Beandom?

All children have a love/fear relationship with monsters. That is why **The Megasaurus** by Thomas Weck and Peter Weck, with captivating illustrations by Len DiSalvo (©5/2011, limabearpress.com, \$15.95 dust-jacketed hardcover) is a wonderful story to share with any 4 - 8 year old.

Can the king's wisest advisors find a solution? Howl the Owl thinks they can tempt the monster with pancakes. Towel the Owl thinks they can drive the monster away with bows and arrows. Vowel the Owl thinks a good strong rock wall will keep their kingdom safe from the Megasaurus. But L. Joe Bean, an ordinary tiny bear, has another idea — one that is a little "outside the box". Which approach will work?

"The wondrous world of Beandom awaits you and your children! Seize its opportunities for parent/child interactions as the fanciful bean-bear characters face their HUGE problem. What delightful illustrations!" comments Philip Dale Smith, national parenting specialist, award-winning children's author, & creator of EveryKidaWinner.com.

"Absolutely delicious!" agrees national award-winning children's author and editor Lisa Hauser.
"The Megasaurus is a wide-eyed read that makes you laugh, and

After reading **The Megasaurus**, try some of the fun ideas included in the Extend the Learning and Activities pages at the end of the book.

- **Make a Monster Mask**
- **Have a Pancake Party.** Ask the young reader/listener how many pancakes they think the bakers made. Use the stacks of pancakes for some easy counting challenges.
- **Word Sort.** Throughout the story the vowel pattern *ow* is used. Find all the words in the story that have *ow* in them, and then discuss the different sound it makes depending on the word. Sort the word cards into piles showing those words that sound alike.
- The message of **The Megasaurus** is follow your convictions even when others think differently. **Discuss** some instances when this has happened or might happen in the child's life.

Excerpted from the Extend the Learning and Activities pages in **The Megasaurus** by Thomas Weck & Peter Weck (limabearpress.com).

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lets you root for the hometown hero. It teaches respect for everyone –not just the 'wise.' Love it! Love it! Love it! Excellent to be used both at home and in school."



The ideas included in the Extend the Learning and Activities pages at the end of the book suggest many ways parents, grandparents, teachers or others who are sharing this book with a child can enhance the fun and the learning experience the book provides.

The Megasaurus is the first title in an exciting series of book being published by Lima Bear® Press, LLC. The publisher's mission is to publish children's stories that are engaging, imaginative, and humorous while carrying an important life message such as tolerance, honesty, courage, etc. The stories are entertaining and meaningful both to those who listen as well as to those who read them aloud. So, welcome to Beandom. It is a great place to visit. Or, it will be — just as soon as they get rid of that pesky monster!

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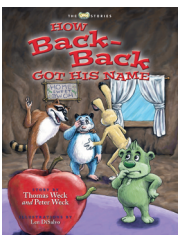
Meet the Authors and Illustrator

Thomas Weck is a creative and captivating national award-winning author of children's books. He has traveled extensively in the U.S. and in foreign countries including teaching children through the Peace Corps. With four children of his own and a passion for observing children's behavior, he has distilled these observations into stories that excite the imagination of young minds amidst peals of laughter and learning. **The Megasaurus** is the first title in an exciting series of book being published by Lima Bear® Press, LLC. Watch for more books throughout 2011 and beyond.

Peter Weck grew up enjoying the wonderful stories his father told about Lima Bear and his friends. Now that he is the father of three young girls, he has teamed up with his father to capture these and other stories in print. Peter's goal is to help children foster a love for creating, reading, and listening to stories. He currently serves on the board of the Menlo Park Library Foundation and is CEO of StoryJumper, a web based company that enables anyone to create and illustrate children's stories.

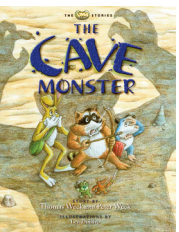
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