

10CT1993

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Stanley Lieber's first novel began life as a short story hacked out over a weekend in the fifth grade, an overdue assignment for the Young Author's Conference in his fifth grade year. The piece ran to sixty single-spaced pages, and it required a team of three eleven year olds, working in shifts, to complete the task of reading the story aloud to the group. This exhausted the conference's allotted time, and no other authors were able to share their work. One fragment of this early short story survives as an early chapter in 10CT1993. Some sentences were reportedly left unchanged.

SL prefaces each chapter with its own separate title and list of folk taxonomies -- labels, or tags -- which provide context both temporal and geographical that is often missing from the narrative proper. I'll have to get Microchip to run an analysis on the tags, to see how consistently and