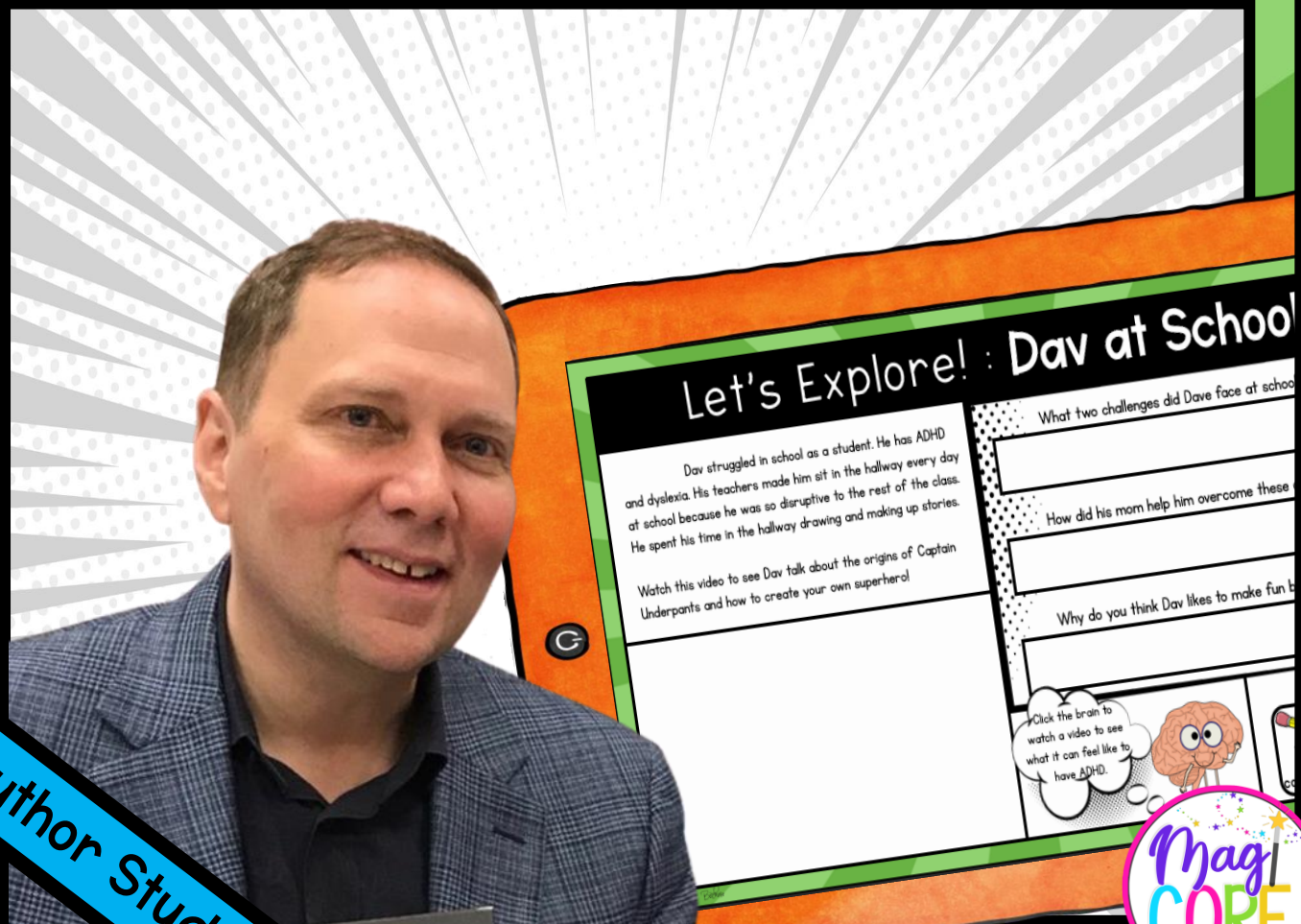


VIRTUAL BIOGRAPHY: Dav Pilkey



Author Study



Integrates Reading Skills

Click the photo of Dav to explore the books he has written.



Dav Pilkey is a cartoonist, author, and illustrator of children's books. He is most known for his *Captain Underpants* and *Dog Man* series. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on March 4, 1966. He was born Dave but started going by "Dav" when the "e" was left off his employee nametag at Pizza Hut. Dav graduated from

Kent State University. He married his wife, Sayuri, in 2005. His first book was published in 1987 when he won a national contest for student authors. Since then, he has written over 60 books.

Who is Dav Pilkey

Have you read any of Dav Pilkey's books?

If you have read Dav's books, what do you like about them? If you haven't, pick a book from the list and explain why you would read it.



To the comic strip

Social Studies

Let's Explore! : Dav at School

Dav struggled in school as a student. He has ADHD and dyslexia. His teachers made him sit in the hallway every day at school because he was so disruptive to the rest of the class. He spent his time in the hallway drawing and making up stories.

Watch this video to see Dav talk about the origins of Captain Underpants and how to create your own superhero!



What two challenges did Dav face?

How did his mom help him overcome these challenges?

Why do you think Dav likes to be a superhero?

Click the brain to watch a video to see what it can feel like to have ADHD.



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Interactive Timeline

Dav's Timeline

Collect the Stickers for each part of Dav's life. Cut them from each section (Ctrl + X) and paste them here (Ctrl + V) on the comic strip.



1966

1971 - 1977

Dav at school

1997

Captain Underpants is the #1 banned book.

2006



Critical Thinking

Let's Explore! : How Dav Became an Author



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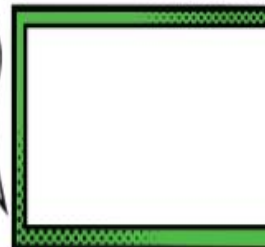
What moment
made Dav realize he
wanted to become an
author?



What was
Dav's first
book?

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Why did Dav say he
focuses on funny
books?



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Writing

Reading Gives You Superpowers

Click on the superheroes to hear Dav explain how reading gives you superpowers! Then, answer the journal prompt!



All that reading really gave me superpowers!



How does reading give you superpowers?
Describe a time you were reading and used your superpowers.

Engaging & Educational Media

Let's Explore! : Graphic Novels



Click the comic book to learn more about what graphic novels are.



Watch Dav Pilkey talk more about why graphic novels are important to have in the classroom.



Drag and drop the words to label the parts of the comic below.

text

images

word balloons

panels

Sound effects



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