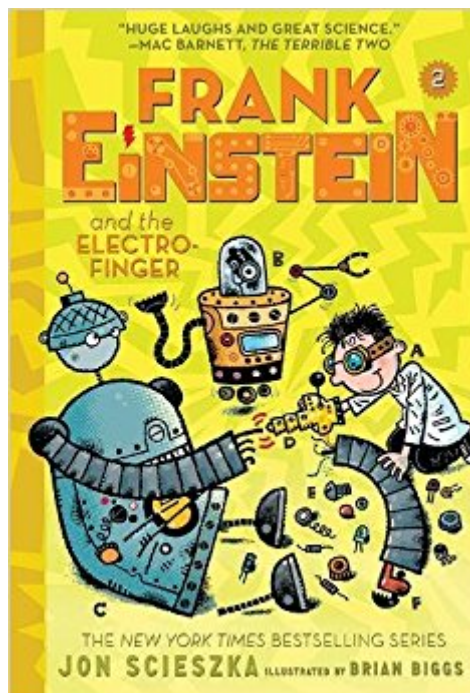




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Synopsis

"Huge laughs and great science—the kind of smart, funny stuff that makes Jon Scieszka a legend." —Mac Barnett, author of *Â Battle Bunny* and *The Terrible Two* More clever science experiments, funny jokes, and robot hijinks await readers in book two of the New York Times bestselling Frank Einstein chapter book series from the mad scientist team of Jon Scieszka and Brian Biggs. The perfect combination to engage and entertain readers, the series features real science facts with adventure and humor, making these books ideal for STEM education. This second installment examines the quest to unlock the power behind the science of "energy." Kid-genius and inventor Frank Einstein loves figuring out how the world works by creating household contraptions that are part science, part imagination, and definitely unusual. In the series opener, an uneventful experiment in his garage-lab, a lightning storm, and a flash of electricity bring Frank's inventions—the robots Klink and Klank—to life! Not exactly the ideal lab partners, the wisecracking Klink and the overly expressive Klank nonetheless help Frank attempt to perfect his inventions. In the second book in the series, Frank is working on a revamped version of one of Nikola Tesla's inventions, the "Electro-Finger," a device that can tap into energy anywhere and allow all of Midville to live off the grid, with free wireless and solar energy. But this puts Frank in direct conflict with Edison's quest to control all the power and light in Midville, monopolize its energy resources, and get "rich rich rich." Time is running out, and only Frank, Watson, Klink, and Klank can stop Edison and his sentient ape, Mr. Chimp! Integrating real science facts with wacky humor, a silly cast of characters, and science fiction, this uniquely engaging series is an irresistible chemical reaction for middle-grade readers. With easy-to-read language and graphic illustrations on almost every page, this chapter book series is a must for reluctant readers. The Frank Einstein series encourages middle-grade readers to question the way things work and to discover how they, too, can experiment with science. In a starred review, Kirkus Reviews raves, "This buoyant, tongue-in-cheek celebration of the impulse to keep asking questions and finding your own answers fires on all cylinders, while Publishers Weekly says that the series "proves that science can be as fun as it is important and useful." Read all the books in the New York Times bestselling Frank Einstein series: *Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor* (Book 1), *Frank Einstein and the Electro-Finger* (Book 2), *Frank Einstein and the BrainTurbo* (Book 3), and *Frank Einstein and the EvoBlaster Belt* (Book 4). Visit frankeinsteinbooks.com for more information.

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Gr 2-4 • Boy genius Frank Einstein is back and is studying different types of energy. With Grandpa Al's electricity bill skyrocketing, Frank wants to find an alternate way to run all his gadgets. Meanwhile, Frank's archenemy, T. Edison, has purchased the local town power plant and is destroying all his competition. With no alternate source of energy, everyone will have to pay his ridiculous prices. Can Frank stop his nemesis from destroying the town's energy sources? The two-color cartoon illustrations are detailed and engaging. Although a little one-dimensional, the characters are fairly likable and it is easy to root for them. Although the facts are educational and presented in an interesting way, they tend to sideline the story. The plot is straightforward and draws readers into the book with its boy-friendly hijinks, but tends to feel a little forced. VERDICT This book teaches kids a lot in an accessible, easy-to-read format, but may disappoint some of Scieszka's longtime fans. • Kira Moody, Whitmore Public Library, Salt Lake City, UT --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

"There's so much actual information here that the story could pass as a textbook, but science and Scieszka fans won't likely mind." (Kirkus Reviews 2015-02-01) "Scieszka's furious narrative, full of goofball humor and shenanigans, flies along, accelerated by Biggs's spot illustrations, diagrams, and scientific figures. And there's plenty of real science here,

too..." (Thom Barthelmess Booklist) --This text refers to the Audio CD edition.

This series is my seven year old son's FAVORITE. He talks endlessly about them and has learned so much from them! Of the two released so far, this one is his favorite. He is already saving his money to buy the third when it comes out. He already loved to read before these books, but this is the first time i've seen him read with fervor and passion, and SAVE the last chapter for fear of it all being over. These books have made him a true book-lover.

My child adores this series. It is a wonderful way to introduce all sorts of science concepts to kids who are interested, or maybe even children who have difficulty comprehending those abstract concepts. These books are favorites in my family, as have been many Jon Scieszka books throughout the past few decades.

It's a silly book but I have read books like this before that made me want to keep me reading a lot more than this one did. Someone told me I would like this book. I had to tell them they were wrong.

This is a GREAT follow on book to Frank Einstein Book one. I read it to our seven year old daughter one to two chapters every night. Every chapter is a perfect cliff hanger leaving her wanting more. You actually learn a lot about science with both books and the illustrations are fantastic. The books were written to get boys to read more but my daughter really loves them. Hopefully there will be many more.

Our 11-year-old grandson discovered this series of books when we gave him the first one and has been reading them ever since. He says the stories and characters are fun and interesting. The illustrations are first rate as well. He told the school librarian that he recommends she buy them for all of his classmates to enjoy.

Good read.

The book was very informative and interesting.

Heard about these great books on Kida Place Live radio where they interviewed the author. I ordered them for a few 9 year old boys birthday parties!

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