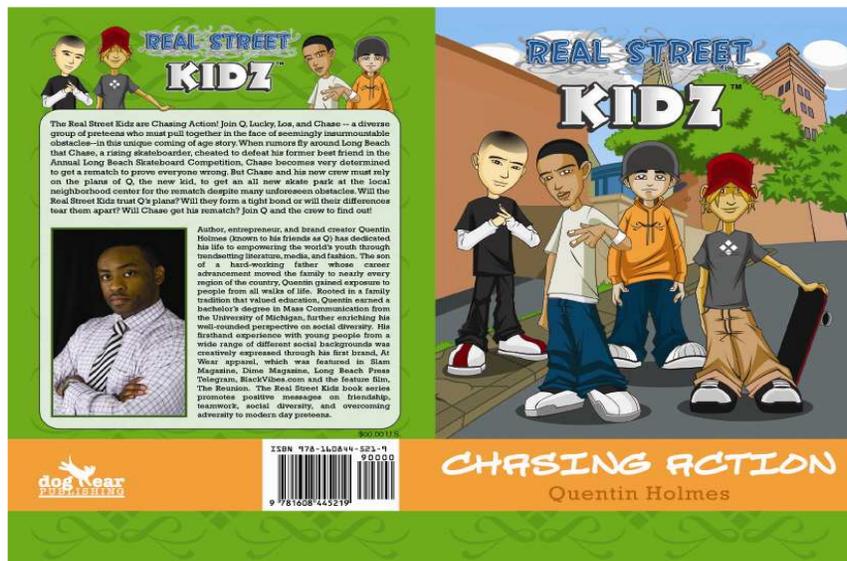


Real Street Kidz

Chasing Action



Book Summary

The Real Street Kidz are Chasing Action! Join Q, Lucky, Los, and Chase—a diverse group of preteens who must pull together in the face of seemingly insurmountable obstacles—in this unique coming of age story. After Q’s father dies in a car accident, Q and his two little sisters must move from his familiar surroundings in Brooklyn, New York to Long Beach, California. With the encouragement of his grandfather and the influence of his father’s memories, Q branches out to find new friends. His grandfather tells him about the Real Street Neighborhood Center (RSNC) and he sets off, Chasing Action. Along the way, Q meets Lucky, a Chinese American kid who doesn’t have many friends because he is not accepted because his parents are wealthy; Chase, a talented skateboarder who struggles in school and longs to spend time with his father; and Los, a witty and inventive Latino preteen who often gets overlooked by his family. When rumors fly around Long Beach that Chase cheated to defeat his former best friend in the Annual Long Beach Skateboard Competition, Chase becomes very determined to get a rematch to prove everyone wrong. But Chase and his new crew must rely on the plans of Q, the new kid, to get an all new skate park at the local neighborhood center for the rematch. When Junior’s father, Councilman Charger, goes to great lengths to stop the plans for the new skate park and shut down the RSNC, Q’s quick thinking allows him to devise a plan to single-handedly save the RSNC. However, Q, a natural born leader, must learn that his talent alone is not enough to pull it off; he must learn to trust in his friends, family and community to help him make a difference. Will the Real Street Kidz trust Q’s plans? Will they form a tight bond or will their differences tear them apart? Will Chase get his rematch? Join Q and the crew to find out!

Filled with colorful characters, rising action and page-turning suspense, the Real Street Kidz series and its accompanying website gives preteens, as well as anyone involved with young people, easy-to-read, empowering and entertaining lessons on friendship, teamwork, social diversity, and overcoming adversity.

Praise for Chasing Action

“I truly enjoyed it. It is well written: action, suspense, keeps you guessing as to what will happen next, great lesson and conclusion.”

Diane Spurlin, Long Beach Unified School District Reading Specialist/Elementary Teacher (33 years)