All the kids at Wington Elementary School think Sam Sprye is the coolest kid there. They also think he’s funny. His red hair and round glasses make it easy to see him from a mile away. He lives in a little village very far from school so he has to get up at 4:30 every morning. The year is 2000. His village gets rain very often.

One evening after a pretty good day at school, where his class got to go on a field trip to a corn maze, he had gone to his room to do some homework when something moved a little bit and he saw a shadow. That night he did not sleep in his room.

The next day after school he stayed out of his room. He even slept in the living room. He kept doing it for the next five days!

On the sixth day at school Mrs. Ponerweed, their social studies teacher, was not there. Unlike the other teacher’s, she had never been absent. The principal did not get a call, either. Sam thought the ghost took her.

The day before, Sam had peeked in his room to find nothing. That day there was no sub so the kids got free time for the period. After school Sam had a sleep-over at his friend Fern’s house. When he got over there they played the PS3. Then they went downstairs and got their sleeping bags out and their blankets with the tent. Then they went back upstairs and ate a snack. After they had their snack they had to clean it up because it was very messy. It was sandwiches with: cheese, turkey, salami, ham, mayonnaise, cucumber, broccoli, ketchup, mustard, kiwi, lettuce, mice, paper, and rats. He took one bite then spat it out. But Fern did not spit it out so it seemed like he liked it. Sam made no comment.
The next day he checked his room but there was no sign of a ghost, so he went inside his room and then he felt a slight brush of a shoulder. He whipped around just to find a frying pan hurtling at him. The next thing he knew he was on his couch with an ice pack on his head and his mom Mariana Spear was looking at him, and she asked if he was okay and Sam said he said he was fine, and then he felt his forehead and he felt a big lump there.

That night he slept in his mom’s bed with his mom and dad. The next morning he woke up early because his mom had forbidden him to go in his room but he snuck very quietly in his room being very careful not to disturb the bed or his parents on the way there he was successful! Then he carefully peeked in his room. It all was still so he went in and looked around. He looked in his close. It was messy, with a pair of socks on the floor and a jacket hanging from a shelf and some pieces from a game were strewn about but there was no movement.

And then he heard something and he froze and waited but there was no more sound. So he peeked out of the closet and saw nothing. He came out and nothing moved so he went out of his bedroom into the hallway where his dad was shaving and into his mom and dad’s bedroom where his mom had just gotten out of bed and she told him to go get some cereal.

He went to the kitchen and got down his favorite cereal from the top of the fridge, which was corn flakes and also got a bowl from one of the cupboards and the milk jug from the fridge which was very heavy. He poured some milk from the jug into his bowl, then he filled the rest with corn flakes and took it to the kitchen table and started to eat.
While he ate his corn flakes he thought about what had happened that morning and on his way to school he saw a stone come toward him so he ran for his life but the rock was catching up to him so finally he stopped and turned around face to face with the rock and the rock had been engraved and it said:

I will not hurt you, just be my friend. Tell your mom that I am not here to hurt you. I want to be your friend. I can answer your math problems if you will be my friend. Signed, Your Friend the Ghost.

So he said to thin air “why?” and more writing appeared on the rock and it said:

I can help you if you take care of me. That is a fair deal. Why not take it?

So Sam agreed to take care of the ghost. Then he remembered that he was already late for school so he asked his ghost if he could fly him to school. The ghost became visible and said, “My name is Ania. Hold on to me.”

Sam ran to Ania and grabbed her and suddenly she shot up into the air. Sam could feel the cool morning air on his face. Ania told Sam how she became a ghost and why she came to him.
When they got to school Sam told Ania to take him to the window on the fifth floor so she went to the window and let him through and said, “Meet you at the bike racks and I will take you home.”

Ania became invisible and went to the bikes after school. It had been a very bad day because Sam’s friends would not believe that Ania was real and they stopped playing with Sam. Sam had forgotten Ania, and had already gone halfway home when he heard a whoosh and remembered Ania and then started running flat out back to the school!

It took five minutes to get back to the school. When Sam got there he went to the bike racks and called for Ania but she was not there so Sam started running back to his house when he heard the whoosh again and stopped running and Ania appeared and Sam ran to her and told her that he was sorry. Ania accepted his apology and told Sam to hold tight to her so Sam did and she shot up even faster than before. And landed softly on the ground in front of Sam’s house.

Then Ania disappeared again and Sam went inside his house. The next day Sam went to school with Ania and this time he did not have a good grip. He was struggling to hold on but about half way he lost his grip and fell right in a sprinkler and his pants got soaked. Then he started walking to school with wet pants.

When he got there Jeff the school bully started bullying Sam. Almost everybody in the school was watching Sam get bullied. And his friends were laughing at him. After school started everybody laughed at him, even his friends. Then an English teacher came in and said she was looking for Sam. When she found him she took him out in the hall and told Sam that his mom and dad had been found dead in their car. Sam hated Ania for dropping him and probably killing his parents.