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Walter Antoniotti would like to dedicate this book to his sixth grade teacher Mr. Robert M. Barrows, who recognized that Walter, a supposed average student, had a special intelligence which needed to be cultivated, and to his good friend Stan Sandler, who pointed out to Walter that his career unhappiness was because what you get paid for is called work and if it was supposed to be fun, it would be called fun. This led to the idea that if school was suppose to be fun, then schoolwork and homework would be called schoolfun and homefun.

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