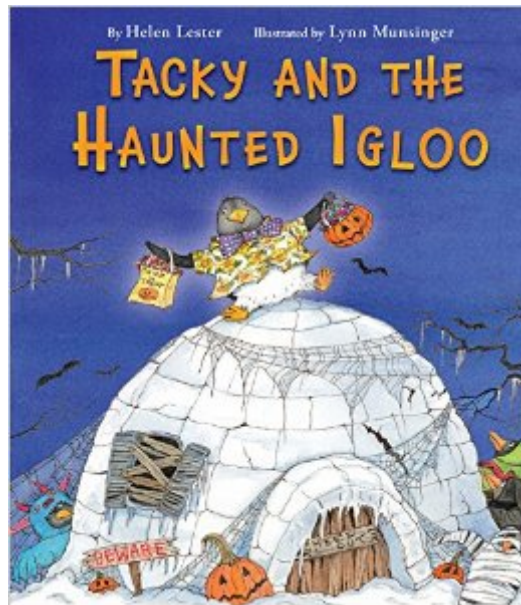


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# Tacky And The Haunted Igloo (Tacky The Penguin)



## Synopsis

It's Halloween, and Goodly, Lovely, Angel, Neatly, and Perfect are planning the spookiest haunted igloo ever! They've decorated with spookhooky cobwebs, they've baked some awful waffle treats, and the only thing left to do is dress up as something scary to haunt the igloo. Everything is going spooktacularly . . . until ghostly hunters show up! They want all the penguins' snacks, but their trick-or-treaters (and, of course, snacky Tacky) have eaten them all. How will the penguins get out of this mess? Tacky will teach these trick-or-treating hunters that, if they can't get treats, they're surely going to get tricked.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

My kids and I have loved all the Tacky books so far but this one is like it was written by a completely different author. Tacky does absolutely nothing funny in this one, just falls asleep in the beginning and then shows up in the end to "scare off" the bad guys. There's a gag where he's mistaken for the twin of one of the bad guys, who says things like "You's not coming home with me, twinzie brudder. You bees too skear-reeeeeeeeey!" Tacky's pals Goodly, Lovely, Angel, Neatly and Perfect are cute as they decorate the haunted igloo and choose their costumes based on their own funny fears but Tacky really phones it in on this one.

This was so much fun to read to my first and second graders! They LOVE Tacky! It was wonderful to see the author adding a little more words to the common phrases in Tacky books. My students LOVED it. Hands down. 5 stars.

Cute illustrations and what is probably an amusing story IF you have read other books in the series. This book doesn't really stand on its own. We picked up Tacky And The Haunted Igloo without ever having read any of the series (the character was first introduced in 2000, but this book came out in 2015) and right from the beginning it's clear that the reader is missing some information. Tacky is mentioned, along with Goodly, Lovely, Angel, Neatly and Perfect, without being introduced. Should we surmise that Tacky's Hawaiian shirt is an example of tackiness? If the title is Tacky and etc etc why does he appear only briefly at the beginning and at the end? Two wolves and a bear appear, and the text is "The hunters were back!" Back? So I guess they were here before, in some other book? The plot is that this group of penguins want to make a haunted igloo for Halloween...and they do, and lots of guests come, and it's "the best haunted igloo in the history of the world!" Then the bear and wolves show up, want treats, get none, chase the penguins, mistake Tacky for the bear's twin brother, get scared, hide under a table, and eventually run away. Oh, and they talk funny: "You's not coming home with me, twinzie brudder. You bees too skear-reeeeeeeeey!" This story just seems kind of meandering. Maybe we would appreciate it more if we'd read the other books first. As it was, neither I nor my 4-yr-old audience could make much sense of it.

We love Tacky and his non traditional ways of always saving the day! This book about our favorite "odd bird" is great for children and entertaining for their parents. Over at Nice Icy Land, our favorite group of penguins is preparing to celebrate Halloween. With treats and decorations handled- the group must decide on "verrrrrrry scarrrrrry costumes". What oh what would Tacky choose? Before you know it, an unexpected guest makes their way to the igloo. What will become of our friends and where on earth is Tacky? As always, I love the "penguin equivalent" references, such as "ear-places" and the fact that our penguin friends have a staff meeting. Penguins in a staff meeting? Of course. Characters with accents and of course a song make its way into the book too (making these books so much fun to read!- says this former drama club member :) The best part about the Tacky series is that the penguins don't think twice about loving and including their friend Tacky- even though he is a bit different than them. They embrace his quirks and appreciate for who he is.

All the Tacky Books are favorites when I read in the classrooms. I just read Tacky's Halloween

adventures to 4 classes today.

One of the worst children's books I have read. My 5 year old son picked it out in a children's bookstore, probably because of the cute illustrations, and I went along with it figuring we could use a bedtime story to get us in the Halloween frame of mind. I couldn't have been more disappointed. The grammar is terrible, the jokes fall flat, none of the characters are introduced, the story just wanders. I wish we had borrowed it from the library instead of purchasing it. (I am giving it 2 stars instead of 1 because my lack of enjoyment might have been my fault for not reading the other books in the series. But if they are anything like this book, I would be loathe to purchase any other book in the series.)

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