



I am Stinky Inky

You want to know more about me? This is my English Diary. Seite 8/9

## Hello,

my name is Inky. STINKY INKY. I am cool, I am great, I am beautiful. I am a monster. A horrible ink-monster. Run and hide, when I come!

There is double-ink in my name:

## STINKY INKY

Hihihi! Great name! I love it! There is also ink in drink, pink, think and link. But I like the ink in stink and sink best.

((Abb. Rucksack S. 28))

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Ink is important for me. As for all Ink-Monsters Ink is for me as important as blood for a vampire. When I drink ink I am happy and blue.

I hate soap and water. I hate clean places. I hate people that use showers, shampoo or a tooth-brush.

I love dark and dusty corners. I love stinky kids.



#### If you don't like soap and water, you are my friend!

lgitte, my dear ugly spider-friend

Once upon a time I met her in the dusty basement of an old fashioned school:

IGITTE (Ugh! Yuk!) She has eight wonderful legs. She wears a riduculous red cap. She is clever and she knows how to spin unteareable spider-webs.

We always have fun together. This is what we do: We fight. We quarrel. We argue a lot. We use bad words. She always tells me to behave better. She critizises my manners. I call her names like Silly Sally, Ugly Duckly, Smartie Fartie or Snoodle-poodle-noodle-kaboodle

Igitte is my very special friend.

Ursel Scheffler, Stinky Inky

As long as she is around, I hate her with all my heart. But when she leaves, I miss her.

#### My other frieds

Forget a while about Igitte! I also like the company of woodlouse, cockroach, dung beetle, woodworm, jelly-fish, octopus, snails and snakes.

I like to climb in coffins and skeletons. If I like the smell of a stinky person, I stay with him or her for some time. That is how I had a great time with Piratz, the Harbour Rat. Willy, the peddler, and Erwin, 2the woodworm from the Morgue.3

2Ätze, das Piratenmonster 3 Ätze, das Rittermonster

#### My Adventures in London

At the moment I live in London. It is a wonderful town with dark an dirty corners. I sleep in a nice smelly baseball boot.



When I first came to London, I was homeless and nameless. I lived in a messy cellar in Soho. Together with some mice and rats. Tourists like me.

#### **Victoria Station**

One morning I went to Victoria Station. It is a great railway station. Thousands of people are there In two thousand shoes. Everybody tries to catch a train. In the rush hours there are lots of very nice stinkers! Everybody is in a hurry. Some people walk in large shoes or in heavy boots. I have to be careful, that they don't kill me!

I know a quiet little spot

behind a paper-basket It is a great observation-place. I can see everything But nobody can see me.

Big surprise: Suddenly I noticed a beautiful, horrible spider girl with a little red hat and eight pretty legs. Guess who it was! Little red Riding Hood? No, haha! It was my sweet girl-friend Igitte. "What the hell are you looking for in London?", I asked her. "Definitely not for you", she answered and put her nose up in the sky. "I am on a bussiness trip to Scotland!"

I know that Igitte has relatives in Scotland: An uncle, an aunt, a cousin and some great-grandparents. They are clever weavers. They know how to make untearable spider webs. So I asked her: "Are you looking for modern weaving-patterns for your old fashioned spider webs?" "No, I am looking for an oldfashioned Hamburger for my empty stomach!" She sighed and added: "I am so hungy!" "So am I!", was my answer.

Ten minutes later

we shared the rests of a sticky Hamburger with cheese and Ketchup in front of a McDonald.'s. I ate too much! Suddenly I startet to cough and - splash! there was ink and ketchup on lgittes nice white t-shirt. She was very angry. She called me Stinky Inky. I liked that name. I decided to keep it. At least as long as I stayed in London. In fact: it is a wonderful name. A smelly name. I like smelly names.

#### **Big Ben**

Many years later lgitte told me, that she hated me for my ketchup-attack. She was furious: She climbed on the next best Tower she could find. The tower was high and close to the River Thames. People in London call the tower "Big Ben". (The clock on top of the tower tells them the time!) From the top of the tower Igitte had a wonderful view. She started to make spider webs. Untearable spider webs. She wove the webs around the wheels of the tower-clock. ((Abb. neu)) One day the wheels of the clock could not move any longer. People in London

were very much upset, as the arms of the clock did not move any more. It took one week to repair it. Igitte had to look for a new place.

#### **Trafalgar Square**

I met lgitte again on Trafalgar Square. It is a busy place in the middle of London. There is a large column in the middle and thousands of pigeons flying around. Igitte wanted to climb on the column. One of the pigeons wanted to attack her. I arrived just in time! I made a horrible noise: Grrrr! I sent green flashes out of my eyes. The pigion was so startled, that it flew away. That is, how I saved lgittes life. "Thank you!", she said. I hate these words.

#### **Tower Bridge**



In the evening Igitte showed me a cosy sleeping place under the pillars of Tower Brigde. Some of her relatives lived there since hundreds of years. At least she said so. (Maybe it is spider years!)

Big fat spiders! They make wonderful nets in all corners of the old bridge. They rent hamacs to tourists like me. They call it World Wide Web Hotel. Funny, isn't it? Other nice people, like mice, beetles, worms and rats live there, too. A good company for a monster like me.

#### **Buckingham Palace**

At night they all meet under the pillars of Tower Bridge and tell stories. "I want to become as old as Queen Mum", said an old spider lady. "And who is Queen Mum?", I asked. "The mother of the Queen. She became over 100 years old.". "How do you know?" I asked. "Because I lived in Buckingham Palace! I know everything about the Royals!" "And who are the Royals?", I asked. "The royal Family. The Queen, the princes and the princesses. And the royal dogs and horses. And the royal spiders..."

And then she didn't stop to tell boring stories

about princes and princesses and wonderful dresses, shiny bathrooms and clean water toilets with lavender soap. I hate people, that wash and dress up. I like stinky folk and smelly toilets! "Why did you go to this horrilbe place?", I asked her. "Because I like ham!", said the mouse. Everybody started laughing. Hahahahha! She hoped to find HAM in "Bucking-Ham"- Palace. Hihihihihi! The mouse was offended. She turned around and cried. I like it, when people cry! "Listen!", I said to the folks under the bridge. "Now I am going to tell you my adventures. They are much more interesting!" Mouse, rats, worms, bats and beetles came close to listen.

A young spider-girl asked me: "How did you meet Igitte?" So I told her about it. And all the other adventures of my exciting life. Evening after evening.

((Abb. Fledermäuse hängen herunter))

A group of bats hanging under the bridge,

asked me to write my adventures down, word for word. (They had to leave for hunting, when it became dark and didn't want to miss a word!)

They convinced me that I am a person of public interest and that I had to write my memoires.

So I wrote my adventures in ten volumes. Here is a short summary. If you want to know the rest, you'll have to read the books.

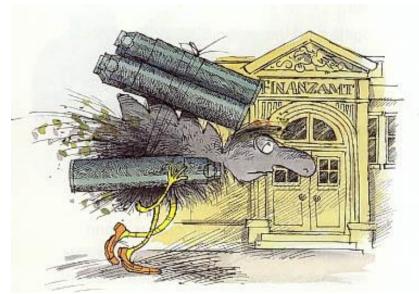
### 1. My first Adventure: I started as a School- Monster

At first my life at school was great fun! I found ink all over the place. Ink is as important for me as blood is for a vampire. When I am full of blue ink, I am in shocker mood: I shock cleaners, painters, janitors, headmasters and teachers.

I love red ink best! I find it in copy-books and in teachers bags. - lick - slick - lick. My long tonge licks it from everywhere!

The whole school was upset.

A horrible ink-monster haunted the school! They started to make war at me with soap and desinfectants. A cleaning lady almost killed me with a wet cloth. As they started to use insecticides I grabbed my ink supplies and went to a dusty place next door. an old grey building:



The Tax Office!

Igitte and some of her relatives were already there, having a good time in the dust of centuries.

### 2. My second adventure : How I became Charlys Pocketmonster

The Tax Office was a good place for a monster like me. I found a dusty place on a book-shelf. There were lots of old files which had not been touched for years. That is where I met Charlys uncle Albert. I tried to shock him. But he had rather good nerves. He became my monster-trainer.

That is what I learned from him: Bungee-jumping from the lamp rubber-band-twist pole-vault with a pencil bread-crumb-football trampoline-hopping on the sponge, tight-rope-walking on a string, pen-pushing, paper-clip-joggling and other office-sports. ((Abb)) He took me home to shock his wife Elly, (because she didn't allow him to have a pet!) There I met Charly, the dirty, smelly, chaotic nephew of Elly and Albert. It was love at first sight!

Charly has wonderful messy pockets.



They are full of rubbish. Great monster-nests! So I decided to stay with Charly for some time.

I love guys like Charly. He wears seven weeks the same sweatshirt. He rarely changes his socks. Oh, what a lovely smell! I could sleep in his stinky rubber boots forever!

We had lots of fun together. But in the end Charly fell in love with a girl. And he started to have a shower in the morning and to wash his hair! What a shame. I hate the smell of soap!!! I left his clean pocket in panic, jumped out of the school-bus and started to look immediately for a new monster nest.

## 3. My third Adventure How I became Willi's Bagpackmonster



After I had left the school bus in panic, I was attracted by the smell of old Cheshire cheese. It came from the bagpack of Willy, the Fiddler. (peddler) It took some time to convince him, that he needed me. But then we became close friends. I was his scarecrow, scare-flea, scare gnats. We hiked around the county and had great adventures together. ((Abb. Seite 11))

One night we slept in a barn. Suddenly there was the smell of fire. We rushed to the farm-house and woke up the farm people. The fire-engine came. But the fireman couldn't save the barn. ((Abb Buch Seite 33)) Afterwards these stupid people said, Willi and I started the fire! We had to run away and hide. So we continued our life als tramps. One day Willy played on his fiddle in front of the *Circus Spirelli*.

#### ((Abb. Se. 43))

I collected money in his hat. (That is how we earned our living!)

One of the firemen was having a beer in front of the tent. He recognized Willy and called the police. They came and caught him. Wili had to go to prison. That was very sad. I collected as much ink for him as I could find. ((Abb. Seite 28)) Willy wrote wonderful poems. Even in prison. But when his poems and books were published he became famous. He started to wash his hands, shirts and hair. He moved in a clean appartment. Ungrateful friend! Disgusting fellow!

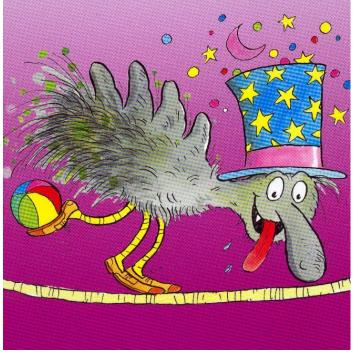
Son of a witch!

I had to leave him.

I left a message.

((Abb Buch letzte Seite Ätze schreibt Brief an Willi))

## 4. My fourth Adventure -How I became a Circus-Monster



I missed Willy a lot.

And the smell of chester cheese, too.

But I did't stay alone for a long time.

Soon I spotted a new stinker.

Her name was Ann.

She worked in the Circus Spirelli.

She was sourounded by the delicous smell of horse droppings.

She took care of me and the circus-horses.

She allowed me to sleep in her gipsy waggon.

#### ((Abb. S. 18))

O how I liked to sniff her horse-perfume!

I used all sorts of tricks

to protect her from Macrocosimus Hypponosius, malicious ambitious magician.

#### ((S. 25))

One day I had a bath in his secret ink and I learned a lot about dangers and advantages of invisibility.

But then the famous Circus Spirelli got an engangement overseas. The artists went on board a ship bound for America. It looked so white, so clean and so shiny, that I got sick by the mere look of it. I could not go on board, without vomiting. Ouarg! ((Vignette S. 35)) Sorry! So I had to leave Ann alone with her boyfriend and stay behind. Good luck in bad luck: I found a nice dirty corner in the harbour of Hamburg and a new friend: Piratz, the Pirat-Rat.

### 5. My fifth Adventure How I became a Pirat-Monster



Piratz the Pirat Rat told me, he knew monsters bigger and far more horrible than me. I could not believe it! ((Vignette Zirkusmonster S. 57)) So he told me about the giant bongonesian Paddlewaddlehippopotatoepotamus or the jetblack crappycheckered cockadoodledinospinocrackpotcrocodile. (I am not sure if the spelling is correct) "If you see them, you get a deadly shock!", he said. I was impressed. "Did you see these horrible monsters?", I asked him. "Of course not!", he answered. "Because I am still alive!"

So I wonder, who has told him if they all are dead at first sight? I am sure there is no monster in the world that is more scary than me.

Five minutes later I forgave Piratz this rudeness. Because he showed me a wonderful hotel: An old shabby harbor-store-house. That is where we meet Elmer, a runnaway-Boy. We helped him to board a ship as a stowaway. ((Abb. Vignette S. 33)) The name of the ship was Cumbacumba. It was heading for Bongo. We accompanied the boy. (I thought: good occasion to check, if there really are giant bongonesian Paddlewaddlehippopotatoepotamus!) But I soon forgot about monsters bigger than me, because we ran into a real exciting pirat-adventure! Suddenly we were in the middle

of smugglers and gun-running ((Vignette S. 81))

and a revolution against the King of Bongo...

Without me and my monster-skills things would have taken an unhappy ending. You must read the rest in the book.

((Schluss-Vignette Seite 84))



### 6. My sixth Adventure -How I became the Gruesome Monster

When I returned from Bongo Igitte spottet me right at my arrival in the harbor of Hamburg.

Ursel Scheffler, Stinky Inky

There she was, waving, when I came down the gangway of the Cumbacumba. What a shock! (More or less my fault, because I had sent her a letter in a bottle, telling the exact time of my arrival!) ((Bild S. 91)) It tried to insult her with bad words and monster curses. Finally she left rather offended. I had some cool inky drinks in the dockland-pub named Totally-Tabu-Tatoo. I explored the fishmarket at the waterfront. There I met Wendy, a nice stinky girl. She was in search of gruesome objects for a ghosttrain. (She is working at a fun-fair!) I liked her smell at once. Do I need to say that I followed her immediately?

I was the star of the ghost-train for some time. Of course I was the greatest, biggest, coolest and most horrible of all the monsters in the fair-ground! What fun! But there were very dangerous days, too!

I had a little accident and lost one of my three shoes in a lump of sticky Turkish Honey.

I got trapped in a flea circus. I had to show tricks under the glass of a cheese-cover. Igitte saved me in the last moment. How did she find me? That was good luck. Igitte was working for a man man called McSpider (He sells high class spider-webs to haunted houses and ghost trains!) He sent her to the fair.

Just in time! So she saved my life.

# 7. My seventh Adventure -

#### How I became the monster of a haunted castle

Igittes and some of her family and friends live and work in the spider-web-factory in an old castle on the Rhine. It belongs to Mr. McSpider, a Scotsman. He wanted to turn the place in a haunted castle. (they have lots of haunted castles in Scotland) He hired artists, to play the ghosts. But then I came! I was the best, the greatest, the most gruesome, most ghastly ghost he had ever seen. I got the job! Mr. McSpider told me, to haunt the visitors of the castle. What a pleasure for Stinky Inky the shocker! I horrified whole school-classes, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and journalists.

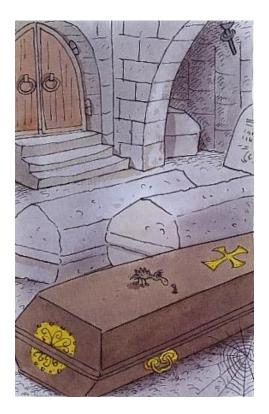
Thousands of people came (maybe only hundreds) to visit the haunted place since I worked there. They bought postcards, handkerchiefs, mugs, glas my name is Inky. STINKY INKY. I am cool, I am great, I am beautiful. I am a monster. A horrible ink-monster. Run and hide, when I come!sballs, t-shirts and potties with my foto.

One day I became a movie-star . Together with Igitte. (Of course I played the main part in the movie!) Every tourist visiting the castle had to watch ist. I soon had a large fan-club.

But later on I had lots of discussions with Igitte! She thinks, the castle is her place and she can tell me, what to do. What a nuisance. Igitte works hard and when I insult her, she cries. Oh, women!



My best friend is woodworm Willi. He lives in an old coffin in the morgue. with his help I discovered secret parchment in the vault of the castle. It tells how to prepare spiderwebs and make them untearable!



This is a precious secret. Mr. McSpider is very happy about it. Untearable spider-webs! A great idea! A sensation! Even NASA got interested in this light but tight material. American astronouts thought about using the untearable spider-web material in space. The Scotsman felt, that ther was the smell of money in it. And right he was!

But what a shame: Money makes the world go round. And the cleaning women, too! They restored the castle. It became nice and tidy. What a shock when I awoke from hibernation. Uaaagh! I had to leave head over heels. There is no hiding place in a clean castle for a monster like me.

My new Monster-friend arrives at the right moment. He comes from America. His name is Harvey. Harvey's father is astronaut. He is intrested in Igittes untearable spider-webs.

((Vignette 7 in Weltraummonster))

Harvey is a wonderful boy. He is afraid of nothing. And he is a lovely stinker. When he returned to the United States I accompanied him. Hidden in his stinky baseball-socks I managed to fool the clever sniffer dogs of the American Immigration Office.

### 8. My eights Adventure How I became a space monster

Together with Harvey I arrived in Miami/Florida. I went to school at first. I had some cool adventures there. But the coolest part was extraterrestrial: Harveys father took us to Cape Canaveral. ((Abb 66 Weltraum))

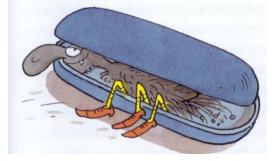
A lot of people were there. They wanted to watch the launch of a new Apollo shuttle.

Mr. Grant was dissapointed, that he was not on board. So was I. I absolutely wanted to discover the space. (On the fotos at the wall the space looked like a big ink ocean!) I managed to shock one of the astronauts. With the help of Magic Ink I became invisible. I took his toothbrush, his socks and his wristwatch and walked across the ceiling. He couldn't see me. But he saw socks, watch and brush moving over his head.

((vignette S. 62))

He lost his nerves! He cried for help. The doctor came.

So Harveys father got the place in the space shuttle. Jappadappadu! That fitted in my plans! I absolutely wanted to become an Inkonaut. ((Abb. S. 45)) In Mr. Grants spectacle-case I went on board *the Apollo.* 



We stayed some days in the space. When the astronauts discovered me, they thought I am an Alien,

And do you know, what I discovered? Igitte was on board! Together with some of her friends. She sat behind a glass window, spinning.

The scientists wanted to find out, if McSpiders spiders could produce their untearable spider-webs in space as well.

We reached the space-platform without problems. I went outside. Suddenly I lost all my weight! I could fly like an eagle! I was tempted to dive from the space-platform in the blue ink ocean. I could not resist. Off I went! But what a shock: I could not swim back! I was weightless! (Imagine: Normally I weigh 13g)

I am sure

I would circulate in an orbit still today,

if Igitte had not secretly fixed

one of her untearable spider-threads on my ankle.

She pulled the savety-string

and rescued me .

But not until I said "Please" !!!!

A horrible word.

So far it never came over my lips!

I had to say it in German:

"Bitte Igitte!"

Then she pulled me back.

That is, how she saved me

from becoming an unidentified space object or an intergalactic glow-worm.

She is so clever. Oh, how I hate her!

## 9. My ninth adventure How I became a computer Monster.

Harvey packed me in a narrow box and sent me back to Germany. I was tossed all over the place. It was a horror-trip! No ink! No fresh air! I became seasick. I was almost dead by the time I arrived at Andy Müllers house. (Andy is Harveys e-mail friend!) Good luck: Andy is a great stinker. He loves chaos in his room. He takes a shower only once in a season. Andy is thirteen years old, shortsighted with freckles. He loves music and hates sports. His sister Natascha is horrible. She stays in the bathroom for hours. She is a soap-stinker. Andys best friend is Mandy, his Computer. (I became a little jealous!) I went to school with Andy. This was very exciting. Burglars came. They took all the computers and Claras precious Cello. I became a detective. I discovered the thieves.

I think you should read the rest yourself! The best part was, how I shocked Natascha, how I shocked Andy how I shocked Igitte. Because I am the greatest, the ugliest, the most horrible monster in the world.

Run and hide! I am coming! And this will be my tenth and best Adventure!

#### Ätze in London:

Unter dem Decknamen Stinky Inky macht Ätze das Tintenmonster die englische Hauptstadt unsicher. Er erlebt die Schauplätze, die auch in Englischbüchern vorkommen und erzählt zwischen Ratten, Mäusen und Kakerlaken unter der Tower-Brücke Geschichten von früher.



Umfang: 25 000 Zeichen Termin: abliefern 15. April 04 Achtung: Im Ausland tritt das raffinierte Tinten-Monster *undercover* unter verschiedenen Pseudonymen auf: Inkiostrik (in Italien) Tintof (in Spanien) Margolo (im Baskenland) Arsenic Lapanique (in Frankreich) Stinky Inky (im englisch sprechenden Ausland) Terpentinus (in den Niederlanden )