

FEARS AND PHOBIAS

CHARACTERS

LUIS (MALE): 16–18 year old, overly paranoid boy who tends to overact about everything. Claims to have many, many phobias.

RUBY (FEMALE): 16-18 year old small teenage girl who loves to read and is happy to help wherever she is needed.

SETTING

There is a row of lockers against the back wall, it is a middle-school hall.

(LUIS walks in from stage left wearing a heavy backpack with his arms full of school books mumbling to himself in a worried way. RUBY walks in from stage right also wearing a heavy backpack holding a book very close to her face. They finally reach the middle of the stage and neither paying attention bump into each other and fall.)

LUIS

Oh! I'm so sorry! I didn't see you there. I was a little distracted by my scolionophobia, fear of school. *(Looks at the ground embarrassingly.)* I have a fear of almost everything.

(LUIS and RUBY both stand up helping each other pick the dropped stuff up.)

RUBY

It's alright. I didn't see you either. *(Picks up the book she was reading earlier.)* I just got a new book from the library. This one is by my favorite author A. G. Howard. Spend most of my time either in the library or with my books elsewhere.

LUIS

(Jumps back.) Aah! Not libraries! I have bibliophobia, fear of books!