

# Radioactive

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It was June 25<sup>th</sup> around 7:00 PM when a baby boy was going to be born. It was also the same night and place where Professor Stark Stein was launching his new nuclear energy accelerator which was supposed to launch nuclear energy into a ring with an atom inside and was supposed to make an atom faster than they launched the machine, but it failed, releasing nuclear waves all over the city. As soon as the baby was born he was exposed to nuclear waves. The hospital room was loud and everyone was panicking because the baby boy's heart rate was exceeding and they were afraid he was going to die, but thankfully after some time he was back to normal. Thankfully no one else was exposed to the waves. The boy's parent's Melinda and Tim Core named the baby boy Ace. Their hearts were filled with joy as the sky became darker and the moon started rising, little did they know Ace's life was going to be a dangerous adventure. Ace's dad was an excellent lawyer and his mom a psychologist. Together they had a wonderful life.

# 12 Years Later

It's been 12 years since the accelerator failure and since then everything has been fine and there are no more nuclear projects. The accelerator has been abandoned for a long time. It's the first day of school for Ace," Ace, Aace, wake up or you're going to be late for your first day of school." Mom said, today was Ace's first day at Einstein Junior High, he was never one of those kids who liked school so much that they wanted school on weekdays or one of those kids who hate school and wish it was still summer vacation. He got up got ready and came down for breakfast. There was oatmeal on the table and a frown on his face, he hated oatmeal so he chomped it down and got his bike because his new school was so close to his house. As soon as he reached school he got his schedule make, he made sure that no bully teased him and somehow got through the day and repeated the same process for another month. One afternoon right after the bell rang and the hallways were chaotic Ace started feeling very dizzy, he quickly rode his bike home called his mom and laid down on the couch. His mom came home as fast as she could and checked his temperature. "Oh my gosh Ace your temperature is high I think you might have a severe fever so come on let's go to the doctor". I knew that mom was worried about me and to tell the truth he felt horrible, his stomach was hurting, he felt hot, and

worst of all he had to go to the doctor. Ace hated many things like the doctor's office, being teased as a monster because he was exposed to nuclear waves, and many other things. When they reached the doctor's office he went to the emergency room and they did some tests on him. He could hear his mom whispering to the doctor for quite some time until they finally told him the plan which was he was going to Stein Labs (which is where Professor Stein worked). He really wanted to get this over with because he wasn't feeling very good. When he reached there for the first time he introduced himself to Professor Stein and his assistants Kate and Barry. His mom went outside and notified his father of what was going to happen. They ran a bunch of tests and finally Professor Stein said, " Ace because of the explosion the waves got into your blood and it reacted weirdly so you can now control elements". Ace couldn't believe what he heard he actually had a superpower!

# A few months later...

He got used to his new powers but he was disappointed because there were no bad guys to fight with. He was told not to tell anyone including his family about his powers. Everything was boring until one day on the news there were many sightings of a UFO landing in the woods, he thought that everyone was telling a lie and he didn't take it seriously until there were reports of a speedster attacking the mall. Professor Stein seemed very worried so they started planning what to do. One day Barry brought a hero suit that fit him and started calling him The Element. Once he was brave enough to take the speedster on I went and looked all over the city but he couldn't find him until the speedster found him. The speedster called himself the Speed Slicer. "Ace you have to try out different elements to find out his weakness". He tried out water but the Speed Slicer just electrocuted him, he tried Earth but he just dodged everything, he tried air but he just used it to his advantage and blew me away, so finally I used Fire I burnt everything around him and just spammed all the elements because it seemed like the best thing to do. The Speed Slicer was slowly disappearing and after some time was gone. I found the UFO and we destroyed it. At school everyone was talking

about the mayor giving the Element the key to the city. It happened this Saturday, I went in my suit and got a lot of cheers and applauses for my bravery and for stopping the Speed Slicer. I still remember that day and I stopped being a superhero because later another speedster came and took my powers but after he took my powers he died. That is the story of how one ordinary boy became a hero.