## THE RUBY By: Eastan F.

"Boss what are we doing here?" asked a voice. "Stealing this town's Ruby, so evil can come in!" another voice answered. "Oh right, then let's go and get it Boss!" replied the voice while climbing up and taking the Ruby. "I got it Boss!" whispered the other voice before they fell. THUMP! "OW!' howled the first voice as the other one shushed them and ran. The next morning a crowd had formed near the Ruby with people yelling and shouting. A 10-year-old boy named Jake had been awoken by the chanting and got out of bed to get dressed. He put on a black shirt with a brown jacket over it with dark jeans and a belt with a sheath loaded with a wooden sword boarded on his left hip. He put black goggles on his forehead, right above his emerald eyes, and right under his black hair. Then he set out to the ruckus going on.

When he got there, he noticed the crowd had silenced with fear in their eyes. Jake then looked at the pedestal of the Ruby with no Ruby! Jake gazed at it, frozen like everybody else. Jake shook his head and ran to forest where he liked to think a lot with a weird bubbly feeling in stomach, but when he got there, there was a sword stuck in the ground. Jake grinned and pulled it out. When Jake pulled it out, he noticed it's true details, it had a golden and leather handle with gorgeous diamond dragon heads carved into each side of the swords handle. "Woah, AWESOME SWORD!" Jake yelled. Jake then heard a rustling in the bushes a couple meters away but shrugged it off thinking it was just a boar. He then saw a tall dark figure in the woods getting closer. Jake readied his sword. The figure leaped out at him! It was a tall man wearing baggy clothes and a cloak with a hood on blocking his face "GIVE ME THAT SWORD KID! "The man yelled while trying to take the sword from Jake "NOT ON MY LIFE!" Jake yelled back at the man. Jake found an opportunity to run and took it.

After running for a while Jake finally stopped for a break. Jake had lost the man, but also got himself lost too. "Great I'm lost, what do I do now?" Jake asked himself. Jake started wondering around for a while before coming across a cave. "YES SHELTER!" Jake yelled in relief. He went inside but was very confused. The deeper he went into the cave the louder the screams he heard were, and he walked more cautiously every time. He came across the source of the screams. What he saw was an armored man in red and black armor with a whip on a skinny red dragon whipping a prisoner. "Yikes!" Jake whispered to himself as he sneaked past the dragon and guard to a door. When he went through it, he came in a throne room of dragon skulls on mounts on walls and columns and above a throne with fire coming out the top of it. "Woah." Jake said in amazement of the structure. Just then a man wearing red and black armor with a red crown jumped Jake with a giant axe made with dragon bones, rope, and a big stick! "CRIKEY!" Jake shouted and dodged. "I told you to give me the sword kid!" the man said. Jake recognized the voice. "You're the guy who tried to take my sword! "Jake responded. "I'm not just a guy, I'm King Natsae!" the man shouted while trying to attack Jake. Jake pulled out his sword and pointed it at King Natsae hoping he can stop him.

SWOOM! A giant yellow beam of plasma shot out of the tip of Jake's sword! BOOM! It hit King Natsae, almost breaking down the walls and roof! Jake stood there confused for a second until he saw the Ruby next to a silver egg. He grabbed the egg and the Ruby and ran home. He walked around for a couple of hours before he found the village with everyone still panicked. Jake calmly walked to the pedestal, climbed it, and placed the Ruby back on it. He then climbed down and walked home while everyone was looking in amazement of this little kid getting a priceless jewel back. When he got home and walked inside his mother greeted him from the kitchen while his dad just waved. Jake smiled and smuggled the egg to his room and hid it. "Can't wait till you hatch "Jake said to the egg before going to bed.