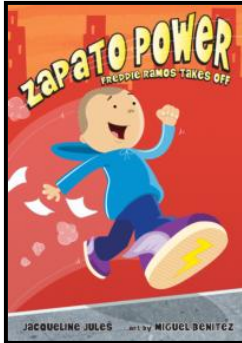


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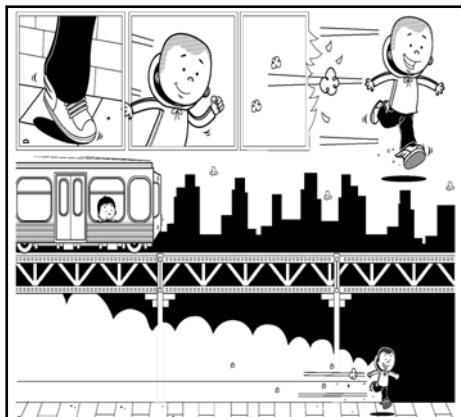
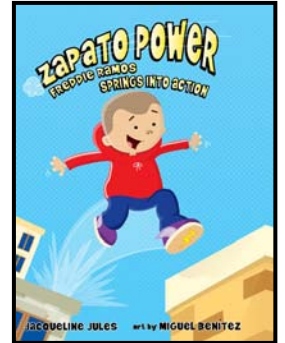
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Jacqueline Jules wishes she could run like Freddie in his magic purple sneakers, but she is happy taking long walks near her Northern Virginia home. She is the author of twenty other books for young readers including *Duck for Turkey Day*, *No English* and *Unite or Die: How Thirteen States Became a Nation*. Visit her at www.jacquelinejules.com



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