Garfield lives his life to the fullest . . . 9 times! Cave Cat -- the first cat crawled out of the sea 10 million years ago. He was happy to be out of the water -- until he met Big Bob! The Vikings -- he was big, he was mean, he was a Viking. Garfield the Orange had looted a lot of cities, but none like St. Paul, Minnesota. Babes and Bullets -- Sam Spayed wasn't the best private investigator in the world, but he did have one terrific thing going for him -- a secretary who made a great cup of coffee. The Exterminators -- no mouse was safe from the exterminators. Catching mice was their life. It wasn't a pretty job -- especially the way they did it. Lab Animal -- specimen 19-GB was not happy at the prospect of being dissected, so he did something about it. What happened set the federal government on its ear. The Garden -- life was a carefree romp among hovering harmonicas for Cloey and the orange kitten . . . until they confronted the crystal box. Primal Self -- he was an ordinary house cat leading an ordinary existence. A shadowy memory from another time changed all that. Garfield -- the marvelous cat we all know and love. This is his life in a nutshell. Space Cat -- he was lost in space with a computer built by the lowest bidder. And, he was not about to let his life slip away that easily.

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I first found this book in 7th Grade in a comic book box at my high school library, and I was amazed. I'd always liked the Garfield comic strips, but this book was so much more. The artwork in all the stories was beautiful and the story lines were both delightful and hilarious. Garfield's commentary was also good. Because these stories are all very different I'll rate them each individually. In the
Beginning: 4/5 This story is one of the cleverest in how it presents the 'joke' of the story and the artwork is very interesting, as it appears to be a amalgym of photographs, trippy colour saturation and air brush art. Very cool.Cave Cat: 3/5 this one was funny but probably one of the weaker stories. The artwork was interesting and would certainly entertain a small child.Viking Story (don't remember the title): 4/5 Funny, well drawn and true, in a sense, to the original Garfield comics. It has cheeky moments that would keep adults (or library dwelling teenaged girls, in my case) entertained, but would not be really picked up by younger readers. The artwork was truly comic book style, and Garfield looked like himself behind the beard and helmet.Detective Story (again the title eludes me): 4/5 This is nothing like you would expect, it's very film noir, but funny none the less. The illustrations are very lovely and well drawn (reminds me a bit of Blacksad), and the story is actually quite a clever mystery. It loses a star because it's not really a comic per se, but it is still an entertaining addition to the book. The Exterminators: 4/5 Bravo Jim Davis! This story is hilarious both for it's own jokes and for it's rather clever parody of the Three Stooges.

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