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A short story about a bioengineered yogurt which takes over the world. Inspired by a random throwaway comment in his *Whatever* blog, which apparently just stuck in his mind until he wrote about it.

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From Reader Review When the Yogurt Took Over for online ebook

Tammy says

Part of: <https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/3...>

Chris says

What if no one in this world could run it better than genetically modified yogurt? And what if they solved all the problems but then maybe decided to move away, say to another world? Unfortunately this story does not answer these questions but satires our own world and poses these very real questions. Good read to kill 10min anyways.

karen says

WELCOME TO DECEMBER PROJECT!

last year, amy(other amy) tipped me off to this cool thing she was doing: the short story advent calendar, where you sign up to this thingie here and you get a free story each day.

i dropped the ball and by the time i came to my senses, it had already sold out, so for december project, i'm going rogue and just reading a free online story a day of my choosing. this foolhardy endeavor is going to screw up my already-deep-in-the-weeds review backlog, so i don't think i will be reviewing each individual story "properly." i might just do a picture review or - if i am feeling wicked motivated, i will draw something, but i can't be treating each short story like a real book and spending half my day examining and dissecting it, so we'll just see what shape this project takes as we go.

and if you know of any particularly good short stories available free online, let me know! i'm no good at finding them myself unless they're on the tor.com site, and i only have enough at this stage of the game to fill half my calendar.

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WE NEED PAYMENT, the yogurt said.

What would you like? The government asked.

OHIO, the yogurt said.

this is fun and short and silly. what i learned from this is that yogurt IS VERY SHOUTY and sometimes we regret the choices we make about who or what we put in charge of our lives on a large-scale.

read it for yourself here:

<http://whatever.scalzi.com/2010/10/02...>

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Indah Threer Lestari says

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Nighteye says

just a really really strange short story on 5 pages!
Don't really know what to say about it...

Virginia says

Hilarious. Ridiculous and absurd in all the best ways. Even thinking of it now makes me want to laugh. Great short story.

This Is Not The Michael You're Looking For says

Classic Scalzi weirdness with a little political message about the self-destructibility of the human race thrown in for good measure.

Nyssa says

I think this is one of the most bizarre stories I've ever read. Interesting and thought provoking, but bizarre.

Sanah Shabbir says

I was confused by this at first, but after looking up the article, I was pleasantly surprised. It gave yogurt "power" and was humorous.

Left Foot says

You WILL DO AS THE YOGURT SAYS!

Kaethe says

Scalzi is just so much fun to read. The story is every bit as ridiculous as the title suggests, and I mean that in a good way.

Elizabeth Perez says

This story makes me want to make a new shelf but I doubt I'll read anything as weird as this, although I wouldn't mind.

Alfaniel Aldavan says

If you like Scalzi's humour, you'll want to check this short story. It's not entirely my cup of tea, and I feel this story takes it to the limit. It's an easy read, though, and worth to see: a different kind of "what if" than the usual dystopia.

Laurie says

Udderly ridiculous

Dennis says

No one argues with the yogurt.

2.5 stars

Nice little humorous story. It's a quick and pretty weird read. Didn't wow me. But helped me kill some time while I was sitting in a waiting room.

There may actually be a few countries that would be well served letting the yogurt take over.

You can read for yourself here: <https://whatever.scalzi.com/2010/10/0...>
