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Franco E. Santos began writing the Chomp the Chimpanzee series in 2002 as developmentally attuned stories for his young son. What started as a father's simple bedtime narratives grew into a mission-driven series designed to foster curiosity, resilience, and emotional clarity in early childhood.

A Foundation in Developmental Science

With a doctoral degree in Education and a Master's in Psychology, Franco brings over twenty years of expertise in how children process new experiences and build emotional resilience. As a former professor of Psychology, his academic background informs the specific rhythm and pacing of the Chomp books, which are intentionally crafted to support Social Emotional Learning (SEL) without over-stimulation.

Grounded in Public Service

A U.S. Army Veteran, Franco's work is shaped by a perspective of adaptability and safety. His career in public service and higher education, spanning federal advisory roles to Veteran mental-health support, has consistently emphasized the importance of predictable, "gently adventurous" environments. Through Santos Press, he is committed to creating nature-based stories that help children ages 3–7 explore their world with confidence.

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