

# HALLOWEEN TALES

## Not Too Scary Stories

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<b>SKELETON CREW by Allen Ahlberg</b>  Three skeletons have a good time on their sailing vacation until their boat is boarded by pirates.	P
<b>GHOST TRAIN by Allen Ahlberg</b>  Three skeletons have fun when they take a train ride one dark, dark night - until something scares them.	P
<b>FUNNYBONES by Janet Ahlberg</b>  Three skeletons - a grownup, a child, and a dog - take a walk at night through a dark town.	P
<b>THE BERENSTAIN BEARS AND THE SPOOKY OLD TREE by Stan Berenstain</b>  One by one, three bears have second thoughts about exploring inside a spooky old tree.	P
<b>"GEORGIE" AND OTHERS by Robert Bright</b>  A series of books about a harmless little ghost.	P
<b>SCARED SILLY: A BOOK FOR THE BRAVE by Marc Brown</b>  An illustrated collection of spooky stories, poems and riddles, including a humorous array of ghosts, monsters and ghouls.	+810.81 Sc
<b>A DARK, DARK TALE by Ruth Brown</b>  A black cat journeys through a dark, dark house.	P
<b>THE BONES OF FRED MCFEE by Eve Bunting</b>  A toy skeleton at Halloween provides menace and mystery.	P
<b>GHOST'S HOUR, SPOOK'S HOUR by Eve Bunting</b>	P; Cassette & Book

Scary incidents at midnight give Biff the dog and his master a fright, but all can be explained.

**NIGHT OF THE GARGOYLES by Eve Bunting**

P

The gargoyles that adorn the walls of a museum come to life and frighten the night watchman.

**"SPOOKY" SERIES by Natalie Savage Carlson**

P

A black cat has a variety of adventures.

**GRANNY GREENTEETH AND THE NOISE IN THE NIGHT by Kenn Compton**

P

No one will help Granny find out what's making the noise under her bed.

**SKELETON HICCUPS by Margerie Cyler**

P

Ghost tries to help Skeleton get rid of his hiccups.

**SIPPING SPIDERS THROUGH A STRAW by Kelly DiPucchio**

P

Campfire songs for Monsters!

**GO AWAY, BIG GREEN MONSTER! by Ed Emberley**

P

Die-cut pages allow readers to manipulate a monster's features.

**HARRY AND THE TERRIBLE WHATZIT by Dick Gackenbach**

P

When Harry goes to the cellar to search for his mother he confronts the terrible two-headed Whatzit.

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**THE TAILYPO: A GHOST STORY by Joanna Galdone**

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A stange varmint haunts the woodsman that chopped off its tail.

**KING OF THE CATS by Paul Galdone** +398.2 Ga

As the gravedigger tells his wife how a band of cats marched into the cemetery, their own cat listens with a stange intensity.

**DIANE GOODE'S BOOK OF SCARY STORIES & SONGS by Diane Goode** +398.2 Go

A collection of traditional tales, with some poems and songs, most with a ghost theme.

**THE WITCH'S REVENGE by Lynn Gordon** P

When Audrey and Andrew open a door on Halloween night to greet a party guest dressed as a witch, they have no idea what's in store for them.

**EEK! CREAK! SNEAKER! SNEAK! by Rhonda Greene** P

Bugbear and Bugaboo are two creatures who like to play scary tricks on children, until the night they get scared themselves.

**KNOCK, KNOCK! WHO'S THERE? by Sally Grindley** P

Many scary creatures knock on the door and ask to be let in, but the door only opens for Daddy.

**OGRES, OGRES, OGRES! by Nicholas Heller** P

The letters of the alphabet are represented by an assortment of ogres devouring all sorts of foods.

**THE GHOST OF NICHOLAS GREBE by Tony Johnston** P

The ghost's bone has been stolen from a New England farm, and he haunts the house - eerie and comical.

**THE SOUP BONE by Tony Johnston** P

Looking for a soup bone on Halloween a little old lady finds a hungry skeleton instead.

**THE WITCH'S HAT by Tony Johnston** P; Cassette & Book

A witch's hat causes its owner some problems when it turns into a bat, a rat, a cat, and still won't behave after that.

**BOOGIE BONES by Elizabeth Laredo** P

Boogie Bones, a skeleton who loves to dance, disguises himself as a living person and enters a dance contest.

**THE MONSTER PARTY by Stephanie Laslett** P

With six spooky holograms.

**THE GHOST-EYE TREE by Bill Martin**

P

Walking down a dark road one night, a brother and sister argue over who's afraid of the dread Ghost-Eye tree.

**A BEASTY STORY by Bill Martin**

P

Some mice venture into the dark, dark woods where they find a dark brown house leading past other dark colors to a spooky surprise.

**OLD DEVIL WIND by Bill Martin**

P

On a dark and stormy night one object after another joins in making eeries noises in the house.

**THERE'S A NIGHTMARE IN MY CLOSET by Mercer Mayer**

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A child believes that there is a nightmare hiding in his bedroom closet, but no one takes him seriously.

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<b>THERE'S SOMETHING IN MY ATTIC by Mercer Mayer</b>  Convinced there is something making noise in the attic at night a brave little girl sneaks up the stairs, lasso in hand, to capture whatever it is.	P
<b>THE DARK AT THE TOP OF THE STAIRS by Sam McBratmey</b>  An old mouse agrees to show three young mice the "monster" at the top of the stairs.	P
<b>MONSTER FUN</b>  Contains: 3 books ( <i>Harry and the Terrible Whatzit</i> , <i>Monster Riddles</i> , <i>Where the Wild Things Are</i> ); Make-a-Monster Kit; <i>Harry and the Terrible Whatzit</i> Tote; Activity Sheet.	Family Fun Bag
<b>I KNOW A MONSTER by Amy Myers</b>	P

Each child sitting in a circle adds to the story of a monster.

**PIGGIE PIE by Margie Palatini** P

Gritch the Witch flies to a farm for some pigs to make a piggie pie, but when she arrives she can't find a single porker.

**GHOST IN A FOUR-ROOM APARTMENT by Ellen Raskin** P

A mischievous ghost describes the havoc he creates in the life of a family as more and more relatives keep arriving and add to the confusion.

**TELL ME A SCARY STORY - BUT NOT TOO SCARY by Carl Reiner** P

A little boy has an adventure in the scary basement of his mysterious new neighbor, Mr. Neewollah.

**I'M COMING TO GET YOU! by Tony Ross** P

After eating all the planets in outer space, a horrible monster gets a big surprise when it comes to Earth and tries to capture a little boy.

**SCARY TALES** Family Fun Bag

Contains: 3 books ( *There's a Nightmare in My Closet*; *A Dark, Dark Tale*; and *The Monster in the Third Dresser Drawer*); one black cat, one mouse, one activity sheet, one chest.

**ABIYOYO by Pete Seeger** P; Cassette & Book

Banished from the town for making mischief a little boy and his father are welcomed back when they find a way to make the dreaded giant Abiyoyo disappear.

**WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE by Maurice Sendak** P

The classic story of a little boy, sent to bed without his supper, who sails to the land of the wild things.

**THE BIG STEW by Ben Schecter** P

Two people get carried away making stew and turn into witches.

**THERE'S A WITCH UNDER THE STAIRS by Maggie Smith** P

Frances tries everything to get rid of the witch lurking under the basement stairs.

**WHAT'S UNDER MY BED by James Stevenson** P

Grandpa tells his two young houseguests a story about his own childhood when he was scared at bedtime.

**THE HORRIBLE SPOOKHOUSE by Kicki Stridth** P

A girl, lost in the woods, wanders into a haunted house where she disappoints the monsters and other inhabitants because she refuses to be frightened of them.

**THE TEENY-TINY WOMAN: A GHOST STORY retold by Paul Galdone** P

A teeny-tiny woman finds a teeny-tiny bone in a churchyard and puts it away in her cupboard before going to sleep.

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<b>"GUS" SERIES by Jane Thayer</b> Tales of a friendly ghost	P
<b>DO NOT OPEN by Brinton Turkle</b> Miss Moody and her cat find an intriguing bottle washed up on the beach. Should they ignore its "Do Not Open" warning?	P
<b>THE WIDOW'S BROOM by Chris Van Allsburg</b> A witch's worn-out broom serves a widow well, until her neighbors decide the thing is wicked and dangerous.	P
<b>WHISTLING DIXIE by Marcia Vaughan</b> Dixie Lee brings home an alligator, a snake, and an owl as pets to protect her family from such spooky creatures as the churn-turners, the bogeyman and the mist-sisters.	P
<b>MY MAMA SAYS THERE AREN'T ANY ZOMBIES, GHOSTS, VAMPIRES, CREATURES, DEMONS, MONSTERS, FIENDS, GOBLINS, OR THINGS. by Judith Viorst</b> Can Nick trust his mother's word that there are no goblins and such lurking in the night?	P
<b>DRACULA'S CAT AND FRANKENSTEIN'S DOG by Jan Wahl</b> Two famous monsters' pets give their views of life with their masters.	P
<b>TAILYPO by Jan Wahl</b>	+398.21 Wa

A strange varmint haunts the woodsman who chopped off his tail.

**BOOGIE KNIGHTS by Lisa Wheeler**

P

When the castle knights are awakened by the Madcap Monster Ball, they decide to join the party.

**THE LITTLE OLD LADY WHO WAS NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING by Linda Williams**

P

Our heroine must deal with a pumpkin head, a tall black hat, and other spooky objects that follow her through the dark woods.

**THE MONSTER BED by Jean Willis**

P

A little monster is afraid to go to bed because he thinks humans will get him in his sleep.

**HECKEDY PEG by Audrey Wood**

P

A mother saves her seven children from Heckedy Peg, a witch who has changed them into different kinds of food.

**HILDA HEN'S SCARY NIGHT by Mary Wormell**

P

During her nighttime journey to the henhouse Hilda Hen finds unexpected courage within herself as she tiptoes past a snake, runs from a fox, and swims a lake.