

- ⑮ **Writing task:** Choose one of the following “horror writing prompts” and write your own spooky and scary story!

A girl goes missing in a nearby forest. The whole town is searching for her. Her parents find her sitting and smiling in a cave. Her eyes are completely white.

Every year a woman goes to the cemetery where her husband is buried. When she looks at the gravestone, she notices her own name carved in it.

You wake up in the middle of the night after a terrible nightmare, so you go to the kitchen to get a glass of water. As you turn on the light a person looking exactly like you is staring at you and showing his hands full of blood.

A kid is home alone and hears a knock on the door but no one is outside. 5 minutes later someone is knocking on the window. Suddenly a door slams.

A group of friends play truth or dare. Suddenly the lights go out and after ten seconds of darkness one of the group is dead.

You walk home from school. Suddenly everything is dark and there is black fog surrounding you.

Spooky Story

One day, a group of friends played truth or dare. It was Halloween, and they sat alone in a room, to make it look creepy. They were all dressed up and about to finish the game. They wanted to go outside to run through the streets and ask for candy.

But suddenly the lights went out. Everything was dark and all you could hear was a scream. It was Megan. Nobody knew what was going on and everyone started to panic. "What's happening here?!" screamed Jason, who slowly tried to turn on the light switch. When he made it and the light came back on, it was deadly silent.

Everyone was shocked, because Megan was lying dead on the floor right now. A knife was stuck in her chest and she stared at the ceiling with her eyes open.

A few of them fainted, some others tried to open the door. Unsuccessfully. Jason, who had been brave enough to turn on the light, was desperately thinking about what might had happened here. But before he could even say anything, the light went out within seconds and on again. Now two friends had disappeared.

Something had to be done now! There's an imposter among us!

Desperately everyone tried to find out where the two friends were and who the murder was. Now they suddenly noticed, that Leyla, also a friend of the group, was sitting there, and stared to the wall, with a smile on her face.

She kept quiet and didn't say anything. The others tried to get her attention by saying her name over and over again. But nothing happened. She showed no reaction. So Jason went over there to tap her. But just before his finger touched her shoulder, she turned around very fast and scratched his throat with her razor-sharp fingernails. Jason started bleeding heavily. Now it was clear: Leyla was responsible for all this. But why would she do this?

She looked at the others and laughed in a very creepy way.

Suddenly a click was heard, which sounded like the door being unlocked. Immediately, everyone ran out. But Leyla remained sitting. And still today after 3 years, you can see her sitting on the floor, with this smiling face.

No one ever dared to go back in.

From Lea

Scary Story

Seeing plants with different eyes

When Nancy woke up this morning, she already felt guilty. With 14 years, sometimes other things are just more important than writing an English essay. But she knew, her English teacher would be angry, because it was the third time in this semester...

Like every morning, her best friend Jennifer knocked on her door to go to school together. The English lesson was the first one for the day. As she expected, her English teacher wasn't amused. After a long talk about doing homework, she sent Nancy to the principal's office. Jennifer could not wait for her, because she had to go to her running club, like every Wednesday afternoon. They said goodbye and with a pounding heart, Nancy knocked at the principal's door.

Strangely enough, the principal smiled at her and seemed somehow happy about the situation. He told her, that she needed to do extra exercises in the school garden. Nancy thought, that this was not too bad, because she liked plants and flowers a lot. So she went down the stairs and into the garden. It was very quiet, because nobody else was around. She felt goosebumps creeping up her body and she felt cold. Suddenly she heard the principal's voice from up the window. He told her to go to the corner of the garden, when she felt something grabbing her legs.

Two hours later, Nancy's parents were still waiting for her at home. They expected her home at one o'clock like every Wednesday and started to become angry. Nancy's mom was very strict and didn't allow her children to run about. Nancy had been a little stubborn over the last weeks and this added to her mom's fury. She called Jennifer, who told Nancy's mother, that she would look for her.

When Jennifer arrived at school, she saw that something or someone had been dragged from the garden to the nearby forest, but she could not find Nancy. She called Nancy's parents to help search for her in the forest, because it was very foggy and Jennifer felt uneasy. While she was waiting for Nancy's parents to arrive, she saw a very strange plant, that she had never seen before.

Nancy's parents arrived shortly after and together they went into the lonely forest. The fog surrounded them and they felt panic rising inside, because they saw, that someone had been dragged through the forest. They followed the track and kept calling Nancy's name, but no one answered. The shadows of the trees looked strange and all the sounds were muffled.

Finally they arrived at a cave. They were almost too scared to go inside, but then they heard a spooky laugh, that sounded a lot like Nancy's voice.

Their hearts jumped, when they saw Nancy standing in the corner of the cave. Her back was turned towards them. When she turned around, their joy became horror. Her eyes were completely white and Nancy was still laughing.

Nancy's parents froze in shock. Jennifer spotted a piece of a strange plant, around Nancy's legs. Somehow she knew what to do and started running.

When she arrived at the school's garden, she went to where she had seen the strange plant before. She picked up a shuffle and went closer to the plant. The plant started to move around her legs, too. With all her strength, Jennifer tried to destroy the plant and started hitting it with the shuffle.

After a few minutes, the plant stopped moving. Jennifer was relieved. But then, she heard the principal scream: "You destroyed all I have built here! The plant made me see everything I wanted to."

Jennifer wasn't able to run away, because the plant was still around her legs. Just before the principal could grab her, a police car arrived at school, with Nancy and her parents in the back. They had called the police, after Nancy had returned to normal, because Jennifer had destroyed the plant. Nancy and Jennifer hugged each other and the principal was arrested.

From Zaza

