



Children's Booklist 2022: Scary Stories

Grades 3-5

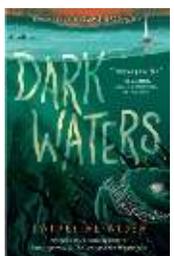


Only If You Dare: 13 Stories of Darkness and Doom

by Josh Allen

You might think you're safe from monsters and menaces. But everyday objects can turn against you, too. A mysterious microwave. A threatening board game. A snowman that refuses to melt. Even your own heartbeat with each beat more menacing than the last.

Thu-thump. Thu-thump. You never know what's out to get you.



Dark Waters

by Katherine Arden

Stuck on a mysterious island, Ollie, Coco, and Brian must band together if they hope to escape the creature that haunts them on both land and sea. Book 3 in the *Small Spaces* series.



13th Street: Battle of the Bad-Breath Bats

by David Bowles

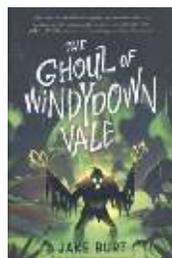
When cousins Malia, Ivan, and Dante are visiting their aunt Lucy for the summer, they get lost on 13th Street, but it is not a street at all. Instead, it is a strange world filled with dangerous beasts.



The Ghoul Next Door

by Cullen Bunn

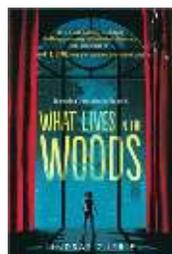
Living in the legend-haunted New England town of Ander's Landing, 11-year-old Grey is drawn into a strange mystery involving a race of reclusive subterranean creatures—ghouls, the eaters of the dead.



The Ghoul of Windydown Vale

by Jake Burt

Keeping the townspeople of Windydown Vale safe from the surrounding swamps by dressing up as a ghou, Copper Inskeep finds his secret threatened when a real ghou emerges and attacks a young girl.



What Lives in the Woods

by Lindsay Currie

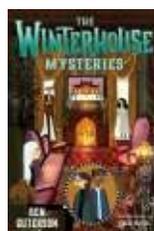
Ginny and her family move to Michigan where her father has a job restoring a 1930s mansion, but there are rumors about Woodmoor and the forest next to it. Something or someone is haunting the house and she plans to investigate, with the help of Will, the boy who lives nearby.



The Haunted Key

by Mike Ford

Obtaining a cool skeleton key at the creepy Frightville store, Sofia uses the key to open every lock she encounters, including a rusty old attic-door lock that magically opens to the past, revealing dangerously spooky secrets.



The Winterhouse Mysteries

by Ben Guterson

A conclusion to the trilogy that began with Edgar Award finalist *Winterhouse* finds Elizabeth and Freddy drawn into a mystery involving the strange behavior of the hotel guests, Elizabeth's unpredictable powers and the echoes of an enemy from the past.

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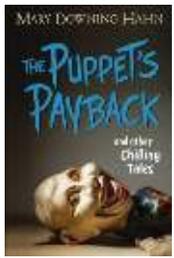
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Houdini and Me

by Dan Gutman

Harry lives in the house where Houdini spent his final years, so he has always been interested in the famous magician and has learned a few simple magic tricks; he just never expected Houdini to contact him from beyond the grave--and what Houdini wants him to do could well cost Harry his own life.



The Puppet's Payback and Other Chilling Tales

by Mary Downing Hahn

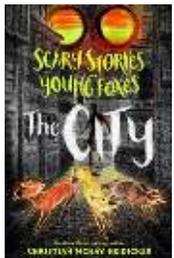
From ghost story master Mary Downing Hahn, an assortment of eerie short stories to thrill and chill young readers.



The Thirteenth Cat

by Mary Downing Hahn

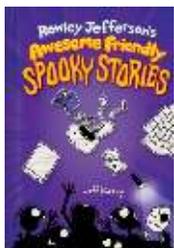
Unnerved by the overgrown forest near her aunt's house and the wild black cats that live there, Danni encounters a mean old woman who claims to be their owner and makes a discovery that places her life in danger.



Scary Stories for Young Foxes: The City

by Christian McKay Heidicker

When the lives of foxes O-370, who escaped from the Farm, and young Cozy intersect, they need to stick together if they're to survive the City and the most dangerous creatures of all--humans.



Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Spooky Stories

by Jeff Kinney

Jeff Kinney returns with another hilarious offering from the world of Rowley Jefferson: a collection of comically terrifying tales, straight from Rowley's imagination, that are guaranteed to make kids laugh--and maybe even sleep with the lights on!



Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol: The Vampire Ate My Homework

by Andres Miedoso

Desmond Cole races to stop a hungry vampire on the campus of Kersville Elementary School who consumes the students' homework instead of blood. By the creators of *Escape From the Roller Ghoster*.



Field Guide to the Supernatural Universe

by Alyson Nol

Max assumed that other people can see ghosts, too. Now, at the end of sixth grade, he knows better and keeps the visions to himself. But when he spends the summer with his grandfather at Woodbead Mansion, he can't ignore the world of

spirits.



Ghost Squad

by Claribel Ortega

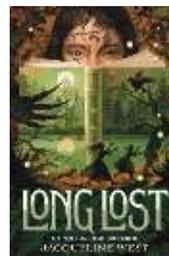
Casting a spell that accidentally awakens malicious spirits that wreak havoc throughout St. Augustine, Lucely and Syd team up with the latter's grandmother and tabby cat to break the curse and save Lucely's firefly spirits.



Hide and Don't Seek : and Other Very Scary Stories

by Anica Mrose Rissi

A game of hide-and-seek goes on far too long... A look-alike doll makes itself right at home... A school talent show act leaves the audience aghast... This collection of all-new spooky stories is sure to keep readers up past their bedtimes.



Long Lost

by Jacqueline West

Feeling lonely and out of place after her family moves to a new town, eleven-year-old Fiona Crane ventures to the local library, where she finds a gripping mystery novel about a small town, family secrets, and a tragic disappearance.



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