



Children's Booklist 2023: 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. Even your own

heartbeat, with each beat more menacing than the last.



Up to No Ghoul

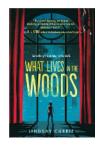
by Cullen Bunn

When a mysterious blood bank rolls into town, Grey can't help but get an eerie feeling. Could it be linked to his nightmares about vampires? After some investigating, Grey learns it's something more sinister than he could ever imagine. This is the graphic novel companion to The Ghoul Next Door.



Mary Anne's Bad Luck Mystery: A Graphic Novel

by Cynthia Yuan Cheng When she gets another chain letter in her mailbox, a worried Mary Anne must solve this mystery with the help of the Baby-sitters Club to end her run of bad luck.



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.



Welcome to Feral: Little Town, Big Scares!

by Mark Fearing

In five spooky stories, an intrepid young resident invites readers to look a little closer at this scenic rural town's secrets, mysteries, and unexplained disappearances. Frights from Feral, book 1.



The Lonely Ghost

by Mike Ford

At first, twin sisters Ava and Cassie are excited to move into an old mansion in a new town, but, then they find it's infamous as "that creepy old haunted house." Ava's never been one to believe in ghosts, but something creepy is happening. There's a definite ghostly presence

in their house--and it's set its sights on Cassie.



1,2,3, Scream!

by R. U. Ginns

Ten humorously terrifying tales that include a villainous vending machine that eats kids like candy, a birthday-party crashing robot, an evil app that can predict exactly how anyone who uses it will die, and more!



The 143-Story Treehouse: Camping Trip Chaos!

by Andy Griffiths

Visiting the new camping ground level for some R&R, Andy and Terry find things not going as planned when the campfire stories are a little too spooky and their fellow campers start mysteriously disappearing.

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Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story Graphic Novel

by Mary Downing Hahn Molly and Michael dislike their spooky new stepsister Heather but realize that they must try to save her when she seems ready to follow a ghost child to her doom.



Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Spooky Stories

by Jeff Kinney

Grab a flashlight, crawl under the covers, and dive into the twisted, unexpectedly hilarious world of Rowley Jefferson's imagination. You'll meet zombies, vampires, ghosts, and much more in these comically terrifying tales. These stories will make you

laugh, but beware, you may end up sleeping with the lights on!



The Stars Did Wander Darkling

by Colin Meloy

When the cliff beneath the old, some say cursed, Langdon place is opened up, horror movie fanatic Archie Coomes and friends must save the town from the deadly grip of an ancient, long-buried evil.



Truth or Dare...

by P. J. Night

When Abby confesses her crush on Jake during a game of Truth or Dare and then receives a text message warning her to stay away from him, she starts suspecting that her stalker is a ghost, and not a jealous classmate. You're Invited to a Creepover, The Graphic Novel series book 1.

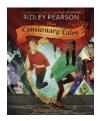


The Golden Frog Games

by Claribel A. Ortega

Ravenskill is hosting the Golden Frog Games, a magical tournament, but somebody is using forbidden hexes to turn contestants into stone. Meanwhile Seven Salazar, future "uncle" of Ravenskill, is supposed to have the power to communicate with animals, but she

only hears the deadly monstruos. Witchlings book 2.



Cautionary Tales: A Collection of Scary Stories Starring Favorite Disney Villains!

by Ridley Pearson

The worst Disney villains draw you into this edge-of-your-seat collection, along with Billie Templeton and her classmate, Tim,

who opens a mirror never meant to be opened, releasing terrifying tales that take on a life of their own.



Tales to Keep You Up at Night

by Dan Poblocki

Ignoring a handwritten warning from her grandmother, Amelia reads an old book she finds in the attic, and as elements from the stories begin to come to life around her, she realizes that she may be in a spooky story of her own.



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.



Stinetinglers: All New Stories by the Master of Scary Tales

by R. L. Stine

From the master of horror for young readers, comes ten new stories that are sure to leave you shivering. Dive in, and beware: you might be sleeping with the lights on tonight!



The Ghost of Spruce Point

by Nancy Tandon

To save his family's beloved Maine motel, 12-year-old Parker and his best friend Frankie must break a curse amid spooky things that are happening, leading them to seek help from a year-rounder with supernatural abilities.



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