

# SCARY NEWS

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## Did you know

This day marked the end of summer and the harvest and the beginning of the dark, cold winter, a time of year that was often associated with human death. Celts believed that on the night before the new year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became blurred. On the night of October 31 they celebrated Samhain, when it was believed that the ghosts of the dead returned to earth.

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We hope you get really scared when you read it!

Happy Halloween

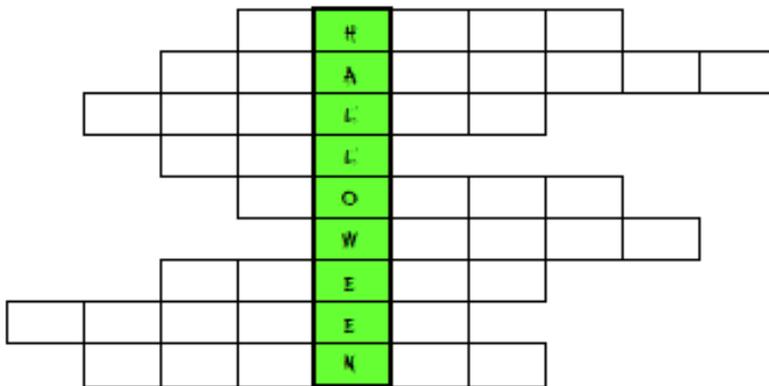


# HALLOWEEN

## Words

ALIEN	GHOST
BAT	MOON
BONE	NIGHTMARE
CADAVER	PUMPKIN
DARK	SCREAM
DEVIL	SPIDER
EVIL	

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# HALLOWEEN

BAT



CANDY



GHOST



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PUMPKIN



POTION



MASK



MOON



WITCH



## This is a school of monsters...

The school of monsters is very big and very, very scary... and it's only for beginners.

In my school there are many magic classrooms where we can learn how to make magic potions, a big library with lots of fantastic books, a bar with a million eyes, a spooky canteen where monsters have lunch, and... my favorite part... the playground.

In the playground there are lots of ghosts and big ugly spiders taking care of us.

The main activity of this year is to domesticate dragons with two heads and five legs.

At school we study two important subjects: "To be bad" and "History of the Monsters".

The school's headmaster is a scary scorpion.

I love my school!



6<sup>th</sup> A and 6<sup>th</sup> B

# HALLOWEEN

# JOKE



WHAT DID THE ALIEN  
THINK ABOUT  
HALLOWEEN?



IT'S OUT OF THIS WORLD

HALLOWEENJOKES.COM

Q: WHAT DID THE VAMPIRE SAY AFTER  
HE HAD BEEN TO THE DENTIST?



A: Fangs very much!

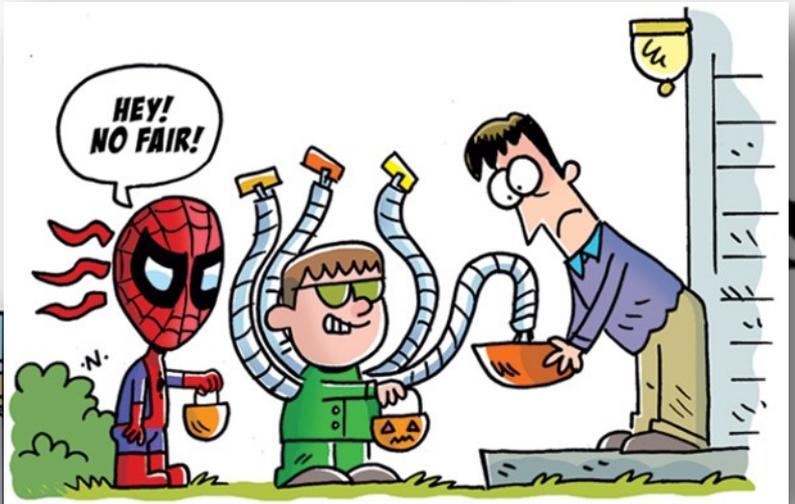


WHY DON'T  
MONSTERS EAT  
CLOWNS?



Because they taste funny!

HalloweenJokes.com



Who do we talk to  
about getting some  
fresh sheets?



REVILLO

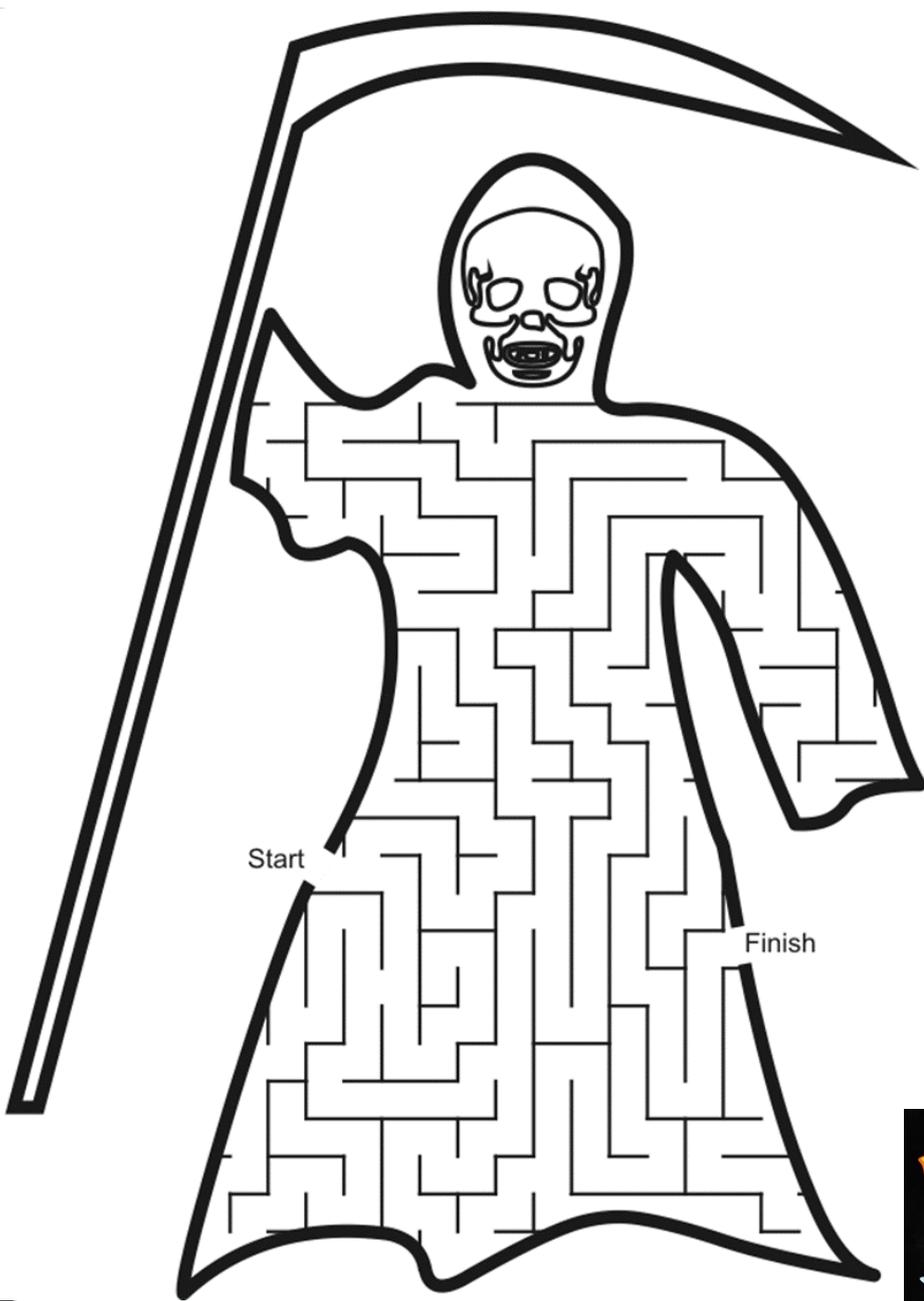
WHAT IS THE SAFEST  
PLACE TO BE IN A  
ZOMBIE  
APOCALYPSE?



The living room!

HalloweenJokes.com





Why did the skeleton cross the road?  
To get to the body shop

What do you do when 50 zombies surround your house?  
Hope it's Halloween!

What is a vampires favorite ice cream flavor?  
Vainilla

How do you write a book about halloween?  
With a ghostwriter.

# HALLOWEEN

## Quiz



1 An animal that symbolizes evil and bad luck and is witch's pet.

- a) bat
- b) owl
- c) black cat



2 A hollowed out pumpkin with a face cut in one side and a candle put inside.

- a) Jack-o-lantern
- b) Tom-o-lantern
- c) Miss Pumpkin



3 A small creature that catches insects in a web.

- a) rat
- b) spider
- c) frog



4 A monster that goes out of control and is dangerous.

- a) Frankenstein
- b) Spiderman
- c) Harry Potter



5 A large round metal container used for cooking over fire.

- a) pan
- b) pot
- c) cauldron



6 A pointed covering for the head that witches wear.

- a) witch hat
- b) witch cap
- c) witch crown



7 Sweet food made of sugar.

- a) cake
- b) candies
- c) biscuits



8 Nocturnal small animals that look like mice with wings.

- a) bats
- b) rats
- c) owls



9 Boo! A spirit of a dead person represented as a pale, transparent image.

- a) skeleton
- b) mummy
- c) ghost



10 A woman with evil magic powers.

- a) witch
- b) wizard
- c) fairy



11 Large round vegetables with hard orange skin.

- a) eggplants
- b) courgette
- c) pumpkins



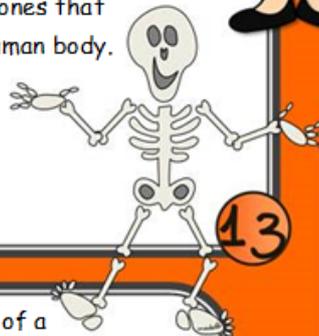
12 A typical Halloween character that is a vampire.

- a) Werewolf
- b) Dracula
- c) Troll



13 A frame of bones that supports a human body.

- a) ghost
- b) zombie
- c) skeleton



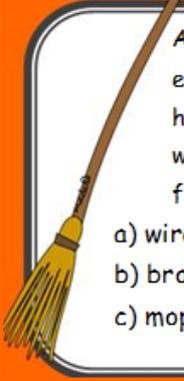
14 Children dress up frightening costumes and visit people's homes to demand sweets.

- a) trick or treat
- b) apple bobbing
- c) strolling



15 A brush on the end of a long handle that witches use to fly.

- a) wire brush
- b) broom
- c) mop



16 A representation of a dead person.

- a) death
- b) goblin
- c) zombie



17 A large grave, built of stone.

- a) coffin
- b) sarcophagus
- c) tomb



# HALLOWEEN TRADITIONS

On October 31st, we celebrate Halloween, thought to be the one night of the year when ghosts, witches, and fairies are especially active. So what do people do on Halloween Day in England?

## Jack-o-lanterns

are hollowed out pumpkins with a face cut in one side and a candle put inside. In the old days people lit fires to scare away bad spirits. They believed light had power over darkness. Today Jack-o-lanterns are supposed to frighten away ghosts and witches.

TRICK OR TREAT



## Apple Bobbing

One Halloween party game is called 'bobbing for apples'. Apples are put in a big bowl full of water. The players, sometimes blindfolded must take an apple out of the water without using their hands.

## Dressing up

On Halloween, when it was believed that bad spirits came back to the earthly world, people thought they would meet ghosts if they left their homes. To avoid being recognized by ghosts people would wear masks when they left homes after dark so that the ghosts would mistake them for fellow spirits. That's why Halloween costumes are traditionally monsters such as vampires, ghosts, witches and devils.

## Trick or Treat

Children in costumes go from house to house in their neighbourhood, often in small groups, in order to ask for treats such as sweets, lollipops, chocolates or money. When someone answers the door, the children say: 'Trick or treat?' The "trick" is a threat to perform mischief on the homeowners or their property if no treat is given.



# WHY TRICK-OR-TREAT ?

Did you ever wonder where the idea of Trick-or-Treat comes from? Well, it all started with an old Irish tradition. The Irish believed that on Halloween night the veil between our world and the spirit world was thin. On that night, ghosts could come back to visit their loved ones. But they also believed that some ghosts were unhappy and used Halloween to frighten people. The Irish people would put out bowls of milk and fruit on their doorstep. If the spirits were happy with their treats, they would go somewhere else to make their mischief.

Everyone tried to stay inside on Halloween night where it was safe. But anyone who had to go out for some reason would wear a costume and a mask. If the costume was good enough it would confuse the spirits and they wouldn't bother you.



Over time these traditions changed. During the Middle Ages, teenagers and young adults took the place of the spirits. They would dress up and go door to door saying "trick-or treat." If they were given a treat, they went on to the next house. But if not, they played a trick on that person. These were harmless tricks and no one ever got hurt from them. Still, it was better to just give them a treat.

When the Irish came to America during the Great Potato Famine, they brought the tradition of "trick-or-treat" with them. Soon everyone was joining in and who can blame them? What could be more fun than dressing up and going from house to house getting candy and treats?



8<sup>th</sup> A

Guilherme Teixeira

## THE ORIGINS OF HALLOWEEN

Centuries ago, people believed in spirits, both good and evil. They believed that spirits sometimes helped and hurt people. Some of those people who lived long ago were the Celts. They lived in what are now England, France and Ireland. There were two Gods that were very important for them: The God of sun and Samhain. The God of Sun was the creator of life while Samhain was the God of the dead. The Celts believed that during Winter, when the days are short and dark and the Sun is rarely seen, the Lord of the Dead ruled. The Celts spent all spring and summer growing food to last them through the winter. When it was time to harvest all the food, the Celts celebrated a festival to thank the good spirits for their help. The celebration took place on the day that marked the end of warm light weather and the beginning of dark cold weather, November 1st. The Celts believed that the spirits of the dead visited the earth on October 31st. They worried that evil spirits would cause problems or hurt them. So on that night people wore costumes that looked like ghosts or other evil creatures. They thought if they dressed like that, the spirits would think they were also dead and not harm them.

The Celts continued with their ceremonies until the Romans conquered them. The Romans were Catholic and they brought their own celebrations.

More than two thousand years ago, the Catholic Church made November 1<sup>st</sup> a religious holiday to honour all saints. This celebration is called "All Saints Day" or "All Hallows". The night before the celebration became "All Hallows' Eve". Little by little, the name "All Hallows' Eve" turned to "Halloween"



## HALLOWEEN TODAY

The tradition of Halloween was carried to America by the immigrating Europeans. Some of the traditions changed a little, though. For example, on Halloween in Europe some people would carry lanterns made from turnips. In America, pumpkins were more common. So people began putting candles inside them and using them as lanterns. That is why you see Jack 'o lanterns today.

These days Halloween is not usually considered a religious holiday. It is primarily a fun day for children. Children dress up in costumes like people did a thousand years ago. But instead of worrying about evil spirits, they go from house to house. They knock on doors and say "trick or treat." The owner of each house gives candies or something special to each "trick or treater".

### Did you know?

British ancestors celebrated New Year on November 1<sup>st</sup> They celebrated their New Year's Eve on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

The festival of Samhain (Halloween) marked the end of the "season of the Sun" (Summer) and the beginning of the "season of darkness and cold"

# Halloween Traditions

## Costumes

Halloween costumes originated from the Celts when they lit huge bonfires and celebrated Samhain by dressing up in elaborate animal skins and heads to disguise themselves as spirits and demons so that the real ones couldn't distinguish them as being human. Their ceremonies consisted of dancing, telling stories, and reading fortunes.



## Jack 'O Lanterns

The traditions of carving jack 'o lanterns originates with the Celts. A miserable man named Jack, tricked the devil. Unable to enter heaven or hell after his death, he was destined to roam the earth listlessly. Jack placed a piece of coal into a carved-out turnip and used it as a lantern to keep the evil spirits away. Today, pumpkins (which are easier to cut) are carved into jack-o-lanterns, lit and placed outside of doorways for the same purpose.



## Trick or Treat

The custom of trick or treating evolved in Ireland, centuries ago. In preparation for All Hollow's Eve, the poor would call upon the rich folks and request money, gifts and food. The food was gathered for a huge feast and celebration.

Today, children go to neighbours' houses. They knock on the doors and ask "Trick or treat" and they get some candies and other goodies.



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**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

Read the descriptions and write the words to find the hidden message.  
Write the number inside the bat next to each picture

- 1 - They say, "BOO!" to scare people on Halloween.
- 2 - Witches use it to fly through the night sky on Halloween.
- 3 - She flies on a broom and wears a pointy black hat, a long dress and a cape.
- 4 - A witch's pet. It's bad luck if it crosses your path!
- 5 - A lantern made with a pumpkin in which holes are cut to represent eyes, nose, and mouth.
- 6 - Witches use it to brew their magic potions.
- 7 - It has long teeth and a black cape. It likes to drink blood.
- 8 - It shakes its bones as it dances on Halloween night.
- 9 - A bearded man with magic powers who wears a robe or cape and pointy hat.
- 10 - A spooky house inhabited by ghosts.
- 11 - This small black mammal flies at night.
- 12 - Witches wear on their head.



## The Haunted House

In 1912, Mrs. Parker and Mr. Jackson lived in a house with a maid, called Mary. When Mary discovered their fortune would be given to her, she murdered them. Mary got the fortune and ran.

100 years later a family, which was famous on the city, decided to buy the haunted house.

One of the rooms was locked, where nobody could enter.

The family got used to the house, but the children wanted to enter in the mystery room. So, one day, when their parents went to the supermarket, they opened the room, the room which Mrs. Parker and Mr. Jackson were killed!

When they entered, they didn't see anything out of the normal, but what the children didn't know was that when they opened the door they had released the furious spirits of the elderly couple.

Nothing happened in the first six days, but after that, scary things started to happen: cups breaking, things started moving, strange sounds,...

The kids decided to tell their parents what had happened, and the parents decided to call a specialist.

Unfortunately, the specialist said the house was unsafe, so they needed to leave the house. But they needed time to clean their things, so they stayed in the house one more night.

They were cleaning their things until 03:00am, after that they started watching TV. After half past three, the TV started failing and the lights too, the windows started opening and some things started moving as well as breaking.

In the next morning, nobody knew where the family was... They had disappeared!

One month later, the haunted house went on sale and the family was still missing.

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## The girl of the lake

Ten years ago, there was a teenage girl that lived in Transylvania. Her name was Isabella. Her parents had a funerary and that's why she lived near a cemetery.

The next day when she turned sixteen, her dad died in a terrible car accident. Isabell's mom needed her to organize the funeral. She got very sad and depressed.

Two years later, her mom had to travel the world to get a better job because she couldn't work lonely. The poor teenage girl was forced to live with her paternal grandma who she really hated, once grandma was really mean to Isabella's mom.

One day, she went for walk with her grandmother. They began to talk about her mother and all in a sudden, they started to discuss really badly and accidentally, the granny pushed the girl towards a huge lake which contained dangerous chemicals. Faced to that situation, the grandmother decided to escape so that she wouldn't get accused.

Nowadays whenever people pass through, they hear Isabella's whisper: "Come with me... !"

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## Hunted house

There was a scary house that all people thought that was hunted. It has a story. The story is:

A couple was going to rent the house that was still in construction when the woman fell in a hole that was still uncovered. The husband was looking for his wife when he started to hear screams echoing through the house. The man with fear started to run trying to escape when he fell in the same hole as his wife.

No one went to the house again and there are rumors that when you cross the street where the house is located you can still hear the screams of the woman and the man making echo on the walls.

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## Trick or treat?

Once upon a time, there were four friends called Beatriz, Cristiano, Jéssica and Julia. They were best friends and since it was Halloween day they decided do the classic: "Trick or Treat?"

The friends went to many houses but when they rang the bell at the house number 666, a man that looked a little bit creepy and solitary came to the door and invited us in, and we had not the courage to say that we did not ... we accepted the invitation he said to sit us all in the dining room, we were noticing by the decor of the house that he had a rather psychotic taste

You took us to the room where you had biscuits and tea and asked us if we wanted, we sat down and we accepted. However, the biscuits tasted funny and tea too, so we asked him what he had put and he replied that it was a family recipe and the special ingredient was a bit of a nail from his grandmother.

When he said this the four friends just wanted to vomit and get out of there, but the man kept talking. Realizing that he had a cat and how it was time for him to eat, you broke off and managed to escape.

Then they went home to their house because they had already lived long that night, and they had a story to remember.

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## The House

Once upon a time, in a town called Richmond there was a group of two boys and three girls who were very excited about Halloween.

In the exact same day of Halloween, the kids were playing trick or treating, when they stopped by the gorgeous house and the lady inside told them not to go to the next and not to talk to those neighbors.

Two of the teens were very thrilled to get inside the house, but the rest of the group wasn't so in the mood. Rosie and Gray were walking directly into the house when its door opened and it created a certain mystery.

Suddenly, an old short lady appeared and asked them if they wanted to come in and some candies. The boy was feeling brave enough to come in and moved towards the entry of the house. Rosie didn't want to be left behind, so she went with the boy.

After they came in, an old man who was married with the old woman appeared, shut the door and the people who lived in the town never, ever, ever heard about the "two kids who were possibly killed or haunted" in that old funky house... What could possibly have happened to Rosie and Gray? Will we ever know!?

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## The murderous Orphanage



Once upon a time, on a Halloween night, three friends went out to trick or treat. John was a vampire, Bryan a werewolf and Steve was Frankenstein.

Around midnight it began to rain and since they were far from home, they decided to shelter themselves in an abandoned house. When they knocked on the door, it opened. They entered and decided to explore but the more they walked, the more they felt a strange smell.

"AAAAAHHHHH!!! There is a stabbed boy here!" screamed Bryan. John tried to call 911 but no one answered. They were running to the door when they saw the stabbed boy in front of them. It was there that Steve remembered the story his brother told him about "The murderous Orphanage".

"In 1954, this orphanage burnt, killing one hundred and fifty people. Since then, all who enter here never leave, burning to death. "Guys, this is our end!" said Steve.

And he was right, the three friends never showed up again. Nowadays we can still hear the screams and feel the suffering of all who have died in there.

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## After all, was it reality?



One day, a group of four kids saw a weird house that looked very small from the outside. When they entered the house, it was giant. There were four doors that had different signs in them. One was saying spiders, the other clowns, dolls and the last one was the mystery door.

The girl who liked dolls a lot, entered the dolls' door. Bob entered the clowns' door because he liked the circus. Zack was really fascinated for animals and he entered the door that was saying spiders. Mandela that was a very curious kid, decided to enter the mystery door.

When the girl entered the door, she found 27 dolls in a pink room. One of them had the name "Anabelle" and she went next to her and suddenly the doll touched her. Anabela, scared, started to run and all the dolls started running after her.

Suddenly, Anabela found Zack and he had a bite mark in his arm from a spider but Anabela couldn't see it and Zack couldn't see the dolls too. Then Bob appeared with a red balloon attached to his feet and joined the other friends.

He got scared and tried to explain his friends what happened but they also did not see the balloon.

The worst story of all was Mandela's. The door of mystery hold something from the underworld. As soon as he entered, he fell into a hole and was never seen again. He never appeared in history.

The three remaining children in fear of what might happen to them began to run outside the house. When they left there was nothing outside. Their city had disappeared. When a huge Spider appeared and swallowed Zack Anabela and Bob began to run inside the house and the clown appeared offering Anabela a balloon too...

After the clown came out a well-known doll, Annabelle, appeared and Anabela then began to run and found another exit. Anabela found her way out, but she was alone. Bob had also disappeared. She began crying and crying until something very strange happened. Her mother came to Anabela's room and kissed her on the cheek and said, "Get up, we have to go to school."

After all, this was just a nightmare. But maybe one day your worst nightmare will become your worst reality.

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## Trees of death

On an apparently normal day, four siblings decided to go camping in St. Jane Doe Forest, which they were constantly attracted to. What they did not know was that it was known to be found dead bodies without identification. Kate Doe, Jeremy Doe, William Doe and Sarah Doe went into the forest around 7:00 pm and could not imagine the terror they were going to get through.

In the early hours everything seemed to be in its place except strange noises and the feeling of being watched.

Around 11:00 p.m. the four of them were gathered around the campfire for dinner. In the meantime, they decided to tell some tales of terror, what amazed them when their stories began to come to life, where the brothers were the victims of events. Terrified, they started to run, and the fear increased wildly, until ... Kate stumbled and fell as someone had pinned her foot. When she stood, she looked ahead and saw a mark on a tree, it was the same shape as her scar, and her three brothers also had a scar, but different. Each with a different way, each with a tree intended. Suddenly a storm comes and when they stop, they saw the twins, their supposed childhood friends.

"Do you want to play?" they said, bowing their pale, ghostly faces.

Then the four siblings looked around and saw all the mystical characters of their evil tales. Instantly an arm of each tree moves and grabs them without being able to get free. The four lived the worst experience anyone could live. They died of the worst and darkest ways, one after another.

At 3:00 a.m. supposedly dies Kate, the one who saw her brothers being killed.

Nobody ever found Kate Doe's body, only the two brothers and their sister were found and as many scientists do not believe in supernatural forces they think Kate was responsible for the death of Jeremy, William, and Sarah.

It is believed that she is still out there! Be careful!

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