

Picture Books (XXF)

Bardhan-Quallen, Sudipta. **HAMPIRE!**

The Hampire, who roams the barnyard at night sinking his fangs into food, is creeping near.

Brown, Ruth. **A DARK, DARK TALE**

Journeying through a dark, dark house, a black cat surprises the only inhabitant of the abandoned residence.

Bunting, Eve. **GHOST'S HOUR, SPOOK'S HOUR**

When Jake wakes up at midnight, strange shapes loom large and frightening sounds are everywhere, but the reassuring appearance of his parents sets everything right.

Bunting, Eve. **IN THE HAUNTED HOUSE**

A little girl and her father tour a dark, mysterious house, eventually revealed to be a "Halloween House."

Catrow, David. **MONSTER MASH**

The monster mash is a graveyard smash!

Fenton, Joe. **WHAT'S UNDER THE BED?**

Fred doesn't want to go to sleep. He's worried about what is hiding underneath his bed.

Friedman, Laurie B. **I'M NOT AFRAID OF THIS HAUNTED HOUSE**

Who could ask for more in a Halloween book than full-color illustrations oozing goo, eyeballs, and hideous creatures, and a funny story besides?

Gall, Chris. **SUBSTITUTE CREACHER**

Mr. Creacher, a multi-tentacled substitute teacher, warns his prankish students not to misbehave.

Howe, James. **THERE'S A MONSTER UNDER MY BED**

Simon is sure there are monsters under his bed in the night – he can even hear them breathing.

Kohara, Kazuno. **GHOSTS IN THE HOUSE!**

Tired of living in a haunted house, a young witch turns her pesky ghosts in to curtains and a tablecloth.

Krosoczka, Jarrett. **ANNIE WAS WARNED**

Annie isn't scared of haunted places. After all, she was born on Halloween.

Mayer, Mercer. **THERE'S SOMETHING IN MY ATTIC**

Convinced there is something making noise at night in her attic, a brave girl sneaks up to capture whatever it is.

Michelson, Richard. **OH, NO, NOT GHOSTS!**

An older brother "reassures" his younger sister about all the creatures that she imagines lurking in the dark bedroom, but his words only scare her more.

Montes, Marisa. **LOS GATOS BLACK ON HALLOWEEN**

Easy to read, rhyming text about Halloween night incorporates Spanish words.

Murray, Marjorie Dennis. **HALLOWEEN NIGHT**

Loosely based on "The Night Before Christmas," this tells the story of witches and monsters whose party is so frightening it scares away the trick-or-treaters.

O'Malley, Kevin. **WELCOME**

A narrator invites children into his creepy abode, where, in more comical than scary fashion, he entertains with goofy stories and jokes that have been told around campfires for years.

Pumphrey, Jerome and Jarrett. **CREEPY THINGS ARE SCARING ME**

This book takes on the perennial topic of nighttime jitters in a direct but relatively mild way.

Rex, Michael. **GOODNIGHT GOON: A PETRIFYING PARODY**

A young monster says goodnight to all the monsters in his bedroom.

Reynolds, Aaron. **CREEPY CARROTS**

Jasper Rabbit cannot resist the delicious carrots of Crackenhopper Field until he starts to see creepy carrots wherever he goes.

Stutson, Caroline. **BY THE LIGHT OF THE HALLOWEEN MOON**

In this cumulative story, a cat's pursuit of a toe sets off a chain of events.

Vere, Ed. **BEDTIME FOR MONSTERS**

A hungry monster seeks a different type of bedtime snack.

Wahl, Jan. **KNOCK! KNOCK!**

A little witch sitting alone at her spinning wheel hears a knock at her door, but the various body parts that enter are not much company.

Walton, Rick. **FRANKENSTEIN**

A funny send-up of Bemelmans's *Madeline* is for little monsters.

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

A little old lady who is not afraid of anything must deal with a pumpkin head, a tall black hat, and other spooky objects that follow her through the dark woods.

Winters, Kay. **WHOOO'S HAUNTING THE TEENY TINY GHOST?**

The teeny, tiny, very timid ghost tries to be brave when he suspects that his house is haunted.

Folktales

Galdone, Paul. **THE TEENY TINY WOMAN** (X398.242)

Retells the tale of the teeny-tiny woman who finds a teeny-tiny bone in a churchyard and puts it away in her cupboard before she goes to sleep.

MacDonald, Margaret Read. **THE SQUEAKY DOOR** (X398.2729)

When Little Boy is frightened by a squeaky bedroom door, his grandmother brings in various animals to help him feel secure enough to sleep.

Easy Readers (XXE)

Cushman, Doug. **DIRK BONES AND THE MYSTERY OF THE HAUNTED HOUSE**

"Daily Tombs" newspaper reporter Dirk Bones, who also happens to be a skeleton, investigates when a family of ghosts fears that they are being haunted.

Ross, Pat. **M & M AND THE HAUNTED HOUSE GAME**

Best friends Mimi and Mandy set up a haunted house as part of a game and end up scaring themselves.

Schwartz, Alvin. **IN A DARK, DARK ROOM AND OTHER SCARY TALES**

Seven scary stories to tell at night based on traditional stories and folktales.

Stamper, Judith Bauer. **FIVE CREEPY CREATURES**

A collection of five easy-to-read stories about creepy creatures.

Thiesling, Lisa. **A DARK AND NOISY NIGHT**

Peggy wants to sleep, but spooky noises keep her awake. Then she is scared further by a knock at the door.

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