

SCARY SHORT STORIES –ROUND ROBIN--BASED ON A PROMPT

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By 3rd – 8th graders and their 8th grade tutors

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By Hassan and his tutor:

zombies. Zombies are scared, and every time on Halloween, when he sees, he's scared, and he went under his bed. He doesn't come until his parents come, and he hears a knock on the door. He sees zombies. They look green and bloody, and they look dead, and he's scared. And the people are not real. It's a boy, he said.

The zombie said, "MMMMMhfff. I want BrAiN." He started walking with his arm out, but his armpits stunk. He started to get the boy's brain and the boy passed out because of his onion-smelling armpits. The boy wakes up right as the zombie was over him. He punched the zombie in the stomach and ripped off his limbs and head. The zombie fell to his legs and died slow.

By Hassan:

But the zombie was still alive. So he transformed to normal and went to eat the boy! Oh, no!

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By Mustapha and her tutor:

pumpkin. I felt scared as I looked at my orange face. There was a vine coming out of my head that reached to the floor. It ran down the stairs and I [wanted to] find something that would turn me into normal. I found a glass, I drank it, then it turned me into a zombie.

By Marwan:

I ran into the bathroom. I tried to be back to normal. Then I saw some more zombies coming my way. I screamed. Then I found a drink at the floor. I drank it. Then I would be back to normal, I thought.

By Hassan:

And the zombies just came to me and I was scared, and I just came home. So many turned to real zombies. I was scared. I tried to move, and so many ate me I turned into a zombie.

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By Dayveana and her tutor:

This girl with her hair in her face where you can't see her, and she had on a white dress that was ripped and woody. Then she was saying, "I will come out of the TV and will rip your head off unless you switch bodies with me and let me live as pretty as you."

But... But I don't want to trade lives with you. I like my life. It's full of wonderful things and you are a horrible zombie woman. She replied, "Well, I guess I have to do what I have to do." I stood in front of the TV paralyzed with fear waiting for my head to be ripped off.

As the zombie girl came out of the TV, I began to run out the back door. The zombie girl was right behind me. But I realized that I still had the remote in my hand. I turned around to face the zombie girl and pointed the remote at her face. In one last ditch attempt, I frantically pushed the “off” button, and the zombie girl vanished.

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By Malachi and his tutor:

On a dark and stormy night, there were vampires. Their names were Sunyian and Linya. They were scary. They were best friends with Pennywise. Their hands were a brownish and greenish color. ... One night, vampires and Pennywise disappeared.

By Monish and his tutor:

They disappeared to an old, abandoned haunted house. As they entered, they saw a black cat. It had very big eyes. There were skeletons and coffins and blood stains everywhere. They heard some footsteps. It was a walking skeleton.

By Itzel and her tutor:

As soon as they got past the skeletons, they found the kitchen. What we found in the fridge was terrifying. They found a cut-off head. surrounded by worms. Then the lights went black, and it all turned out to be a huge prank from Pennywise’s brother.

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By Phyllis:

Faceless dismal girl with no hair. I felt what used to be my face. It was smooth and soft. I couldn’t see or scream to anyone for help. Then a tiny voice in my head kept screaming, “You need to find yourself a face!” I started shaking. Then I fell out. Once I woke up, I was possessed.

By Jordynn and her tutor:

I started to bang on the walls and the floor. I realized I needed to regain control of myself. Someone came into my house. I think it was my mom. She saw me and threw water on me. This however possessed me more. Then I started to kick and punch my mom. She told me to stop, but the voice in my head kept screeching “Do it!”

By Malachi and his tutor:

I ran out of my house while my mom started to chase me. I ran onto the road. A car then hit me, and I fell to the ground. I felt like myself now.

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By Fidel and his tutor:

I transformed into a ghost. At 10am in the morning my mom came up and checked on me and she saw I was gone. She checked everywhere in the house. She called the police to investigate the house, and the detective saw bloody footprints leading to this room. His mom got worried.

In the morning the police gave up. And the ghost busters showed up at my house. And they were ready to capture me. They placed their traps around my house. However,

I overlooked one ghost trap. And I got caught! I tried with all my effort to escape, but the suction of the trap was too strong, and I was stuck. Oh, me!

I had to come with an escape plan.

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By Jeffrey and his tutor:

The hands pulled up a body. Then the body starts to walk towards the city. Then more bodies come. They are in all sizes, from ants to giants.

By David and his tutor:

The citizens cry for help. The people call the police. They call the ambulance, and they called the military. The military try shooting at the zombies. More and more starts to come. Once the zombies get close enough, they attack the humans. When the humans die, they turn into zombies. How could they ever stop the attacks?

Unfortunately, the giant bodies eat everyone, even the military, and everyone turned into zombies, and it was a zombie invasion. And it was all a dream.

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By David and his tutor:

One day I was heading to the bathroom. While washing my face, I notice blood all over my face. I try washing it out, but nothing happens. I then notice a masked man in the mirror. I stay still, and then turn around immediately. Nobody is there. I ran to the door and tried yanking at the door knob. It was locked! Someone must have locked the door! I look back at the mirror. His claws were long and sharp. I started to scream.

By Michelle:

My mom heard me scream, and ran to get me, but after kicking down the door, she couldn't find me. I tried to help her find me by screaming, but she never found me. I could see her, but she couldn't see me.

By Monish and his tutor:

I went into the kitchen and poured flour on me, and Mom saw me, and she first screamed, and then she looked closely, and she realized it was me. Luckily my mom is a doctor, so she gave me a serum, and she could see me again, but Mom made a magical dust, and she sprayed it all over the bathroom. She saw a masked man. Then she summoned the spirit and it took the man away.

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By Reaisha:

Bloody Mary, and I closed my eyes and I saw myself in the mirror. Every time a child says my name three times, I appear in their mirror, ready to kill. If you do what people call the Bloody Mary Challenge, you will be in the mirror with me.

By Malachi and his tutor:

I hear a child call my name three times. Then get you into the mirror with me.

By Marwan and his tutor:

The children challenged Bloody Mary, and if they win they escape. They challenged her to a skateboarding competition. They finished the race first, and the children skated out of the mirror, leaving Bloody Mary behind.

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By Michelle and Berenice:

My friend. I was really scared. I wanted to tell my mom, but she was working. My friend was screaming, and begging me to help her. I knew we should have thrown the TV away. It was very old. My friend kept on screaming. Then I saw a person in back of her. The person pulled her away. There was only blackness.

By Gabriel and his tutor:

The Shuback came and pulled me, and I screamed. My friend was next to me. I tried to help her and they saw me and pulled me and stopped me. I was bleeding.

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By Gabriel and his tutor:

It was a hand of a zombie. It was pulling into a grave of the dead. The zombie tried to eat out my brains. Then his friend called ghost face, and he grabbed me and tried to choke me. I closed my eyes and woke up under the ground.

By Phyllis:

It was the best thing ever. There was a magical land that was made out of candy! I started eating and eating until I couldn't take another bite. I even saw all of my dead family members. We all gave each other hugs, and we all sang, dance, and had fun. Then I realized the time, and I started to fade away. I had to quickly find a way out.

By Reaisha:

It was all a dream. I woke up in my bed, but something strong was there. I was hearing noises. I got swiped. I was nowhere to be found.

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By Marwan:

A vampire. Then I can't see myself in a mirror. I was stuck inside my house. I had a big test and I can't go outside. I can't go to school because what would my classmates think of me if I walked into school as a vampire.

By Itzel and her tutor:

Then I walked out of the bathroom and my brother and sister saw me and they ran away to their mom and dad.

By Phyllis:

I ran after them and tried to tell them it was me, but my fangs were growing so big, and then my voice and my hand, I sounded like a man. My dad grabbed his shotgun and kicked me out of the house. I found my vampire love named Dracula, and lived with him. ***I pressed the button on the remote again and again, but it was no use. The TV just wouldn't turn off. And there was the face on the screen again, crying out to me. The face of ...***

By Raul, Jason, and their tutor:
Michael Myers, staring into my room. The ghostly figure emerged out of the T.V. and stood in my living room.

I wanted to run but I knew he would kill me since he had a knife in his hand. I knew I had a Pennywise costume right next to me, so I put it on really fast and I even had the best Pennywise impression and it fooled Michael Myers.

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By Jordynn and her tutor:
The hand crawled out of the dirt, and it started to float around. The hand wanted to go around town and eat people. The hand saw a little girl and started to follow her. Once the little girl turned around, she screamed and started to run away. The little girl was fast enough to get away, but the hand was still hungry.

By Hassan and his tutor:
Maybe he can eat all the kids, and the hand must die, and the hand can get a throw away. Then the hand destroyed the girl and the kids are scared, and the kids run, and the hand sees the kids.

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By Marilu:
One day Jack was swimming with his friends. Jack was having a great time.

By Alejandro and his tutor:
He saw a hand bursting out of the soil. Then Jack started to scream as the zombie chased him down the block.

By Gabriel:
I fought him, but I won.

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By Itzel and her tutor:
A clown. I was scared because it had fangs. It was dark outside and late. I was home alone because my parents were at dinner. Then the TV started to flicker.

By Jordynn and her tutor:
The lights turned off. I saw something red and it was the clown. I ran as fast as I could. The clown followed me. He cornered me in my bedroom. We began to fight. I kicked him hard.

“Leave me alone,” I screamed. I still kicked him.

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By Alejandro and his tutor:

A zombie's hand burst out of the soil. The zombie gets out of the grave and on Halloween goes door to door hunting for food. Then it finally meets a group of kids.

The zombie wants to eat the kids. He has a trash bag. He puts the kids in the trash bag. They had a knife. They cut the trash bag. The zombie didn't know they escaped. The zombie turns back and saw the kids running. The zombie decided to go home.

However, the kids were lost, but they found their way back home. The zombie was defeated, and all was well in the world of fantasy.

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By Monish and his tutor:

Vampire!!! The vampire had a very pale face and very pointy teeth. He was still wearing his pajamas. (He looked very funny in pajamas.) The problem was that the vampire cannot have any contact with the sun, or he will melt. The other problem was that he had to go to school, and it was a very sunny day. But when he eats broccoli, he can turn back to human, to about 1½ times the size.

By Jeffrey, Raul, and their tutor:

The vampire gets caught by the sun and turns into sand. When people touch the sand, they turn into vampires. Now at night the vampires go and suck the blood of the people.

By Michelle and Berenice:

The vampire drank ocean water and turned to normal. A girl saw him, and he was scared. He went home, and when he got there, his family asked where he was. He told them what happened but they didn't believe him.