

# The House at the End of the Road

Chapter

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1 There was an old house in Tom and Sadie's neighborhood.

I haven't seen lights on in that house before.

No, it has been empty for years.

How about going inside?

OK. Let's go meet our new neighbors.

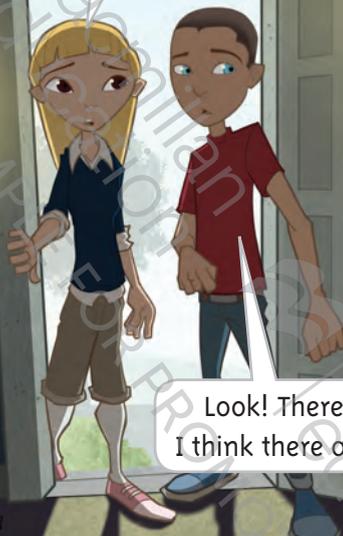
2 The back door was unlocked.

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Ugh! Bats!

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Hello? Is anyone home?



Look! There are candles. I think there are people here.

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This place looks like something out of a horror movie!

We haven't been upstairs yet.

I think someone's up there. How about going upstairs? Or are you scared?



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Tom and Sadie climbed the stairs. There were spiderwebs everywhere.

They haven't cleaned this place! Look at all these spiderwebs.

Are you scared yet?

No! I like scary movies.

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Haven't we been this way already? I don't want to get lost.

We haven't looked up here yet.

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Just then, there was a flash of lightning and a boom of thunder.

OK, now I'm scared!

I was scared already!

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A figure appeared on the stairs above them. He let out a long, terrifying laugh.

Mwaaaaa-ha-ha-ha-ha.  
I am Count Cranium.  
Welcome to my house.

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Aaaaaahhhhhh!

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Sadie and Tom raced down the stairs. At the bottom, Sadie tripped over something and fell.

Help! It's got my leg! What is it?

It isn't the vampire, it's just a wire. Where did that come from?



Suddenly, the lights went on.

What's going on? Where's the vampire?

Cut! Wow, fantastic. What a scream! Who is this?

Who are these people?

We're making a movie. I'm the director.



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Has the writer changed the script?

No, I haven't.

What are they doing here?

I'm sorry, we're exploring.

We wanted to meet our new neighbors.

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I think we've found some new stars. Can you write parts for them?

Sure!

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The director liked Sadie and Tom's performance.

How about being in our movie? Luckily we haven't finished it yet.

Yes, please!

And I think you've already met Count Cranium ...

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Hey, you're Mark Major, the famous actor!

That was an amazing performance! Do you think you can do it again?

You haven't seen anything yet!