

# Scary Books

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Arden, Katherine – [Dead Voices](#)

Trapped at a haunted ski resort, Ollie, Coco, and Brian must rely on their friendship and sharp minds if they want to escape. (Grades 4 – 8)

Arden, Katherine – [Small Spaces](#)

After eleven-year-old Ollie's school bus mysteriously breaks down on a field trip, she has to take a trip through scary woods, and must use all of her wits to survive. She must stick to small spaces. (Grades 4 – 8)

Auxier, Jonathan – [The Night Gardener: A Scary Story](#)

Irish orphans Molly, fourteen, and Kip, ten, travel to England to work as servants in a crumbling manor house where nothing is quite what it seems to be, and soon the siblings are confronted by a mysterious stranger and secrets of the cursed house. (Grades 4 – 6)

Beatty, Robert – [Serafina and the Black Cloak](#)

Living secretly in the basement of a grand estate where her pa works as a maintenance man, young Serafina narrowly escapes a black-cloaked man who has been abducting local children and who Serafina, aided by a youth from the estate, endeavors to expose. (Grades 5 – 7)

Black, Holly – [Doll Bones](#)

Zach, Alice, and Poppy, friends from a Pennsylvania middle school who have long enjoyed acting out imaginary adventures with dolls and action figures, embark on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl. (Grades 4 – 7)

Currie, Lindsay – [The Peculiar Incident on Shady Street](#)

When lights start flickering and temperatures suddenly drop, twelve-year-old Tessa Woodward, sensing her new house may be haunted, recruits some new friends to help her unravel the mystery of who or what is trying to communicate with her and why. (Grades 4 – 6)

Funaro, Gregory – [Watch Hollow](#)

When a mysterious stranger makes their father an offer to fix the clock at Blackford House, Lucy and Oliver Tinker join forces with the magical clock animals to defeat a vicious monster, who wants to take possession of the house. (Grades 4 – 7)

Funke, Cornelia Carolyn – [Ghost Knight](#)

Eleven-year-old Jon Whitcroft and new friend Ella summon the ghost of Sir William Longspee, who may be able to protect Jon from a group of ghosts that threatens him harm from the day he arrives at Salisbury Cathedral's boarding school. Includes historical notes. (Grades 4 – 6)

Gaiman, Neil – [Coraline](#)

Coraline ventures through a mysterious door into a world that is similar, yet disturbingly different from her own, where she must challenge a gruesome entity in order to save herself, her parents, and the souls of three others. (Grades 4 – 8)

Gemeinhart, Dan - [Scar Island](#)

Jonathan works to survive at the Slabhenge Reformatory School on Scar Island, a former lunatic asylum currently run by a tyrant, and when a lightning strike kills the adults, the boys become trapped on the sinking island. (Grades 5 – 8)

Gidwitz, Adam – [A Tale Dark and Grimm](#)

Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering witches, devils, warlocks, kindly strangers, and other helpful folk as they take charge of their own happily ever after. (Grades 4 – 6)

Hahn, Mary Downing – [Took: A Ghost Story](#)

A witch called Old Auntie is lurking near Dan's family's new home. He doesn't believe in her at first, but is forced to accept that she is real and take action when his little sister, Erica, is 'took' to become Auntie's slave for the next fifty year. (Grades 4 – 7)

Oh, Ellen - [Spirit Hunters](#)

Feeling uncomfortable from the moment she arrives in her new home, Harper is dismayed by local rumors that her house is haunted and that every family that has ever lived there has suffered terrible tragedies, a situation that turns sinister when her cheerful little brother begins acting in alarming ways. (Grades 4 – 6)

Oppel, Kenneth – [The Nest](#)

When wasps come to Steve in a dream offering to fix his sick baby brother, he thinks all he has to do is say yes. But yes may not mean what Steve thinks it means. (Grades 5 and up)

Ormsbee, K. E. – [The House in Poplar Wood](#)

The Vickery twins, Lee and Felix, live in a house in Poplar Wood, where, because of the "Agreement," their mother serves Memory, and their father assists Death, and only Lee is allowed to leave the house, except for Halloween; but when a local girl is murdered, Gretchen Whipple, daughter of the mayor, offers the boys a deal--help her solve the crime and she will help them break the Agreement, and regain their freedom. (Grades 5 and up)

Terry, Laura – [Graveyard Shakes](#)

Katia and Victoria are sisters and scholarship students at a private boarding school. While Victoria tries to fit in, Katia is unapologetic about her quirks, even though their classmates tease her. After a big fight, Katia runs away from school. And when Victoria goes looking for her, she accidentally tumbles into the underworld of a nearby graveyard. It's inhabited by ghosts and a man named Nikola, who's preparing a sinister spell that's missing one key ingredient. (Grades 4 – 6)