

[Paola Santiago and the River of Tears](#)

By Tehlor Kay Mejia

J Fic Mejia

In Silver Springs, Arizona, her mother's stories of the monstrous La Llorona are thrilling but unbelievable to science-loving Paola until she and her best friends take a walk through a cactus field near the Gila River.

[Ghost Squad](#)

By Claribel A. Ortega,

J Fic Ortega

Shortly before Halloween, Lucely and her best friend, Syd, cast a spell that accidentally awakens malicious spirits, wreaking havoc throughout St. Augustine. Together, they must join forces with Syd's witch grandmother to fight the haunting and reverse the curse to save the town.

[Hide and Don't Seek](#)

By Anica Mrose Rissi

J Fic Rissi

A collection of short stories that is sure to elicit chills, laughs, and screams, that is sure to keep readers up past their bedtimes.

[Karma Moon: Ghost Hunter](#)

By Melissa Savage

J Fic Savage

While in a haunted Colorado hotel for her father's ghost-hunting tv series, Karma must battle her anxiety, interpret the signs of the universe, and get footage of a real ghost.

[Gloom Town](#)

By Ronald L Smith

J Fic Smith

Twelve-year-old Rory and his friend Izzy try to foil the plans of Lord Foxglove and his inhuman accomplices from taking over the world.

[Scariest. Book. Ever.](#)

By R.L. Stine

J Fic Stine

Twins Betty and Billy are visiting their uncle in Wayward Forest when a boring stay turns into a nightmare. Wendell is in possession of the scariest book in the world and to keep it safe, the siblings must enter the dangerous forest.

[The Ghoul Next Door](#)

By Cullen Bunn

J Graphic Bunn

Grey discovers odd, gruesome bits from the graveyard that are left for him as gifts. Soon, he finds himself drawn into a mystery with ghouls, eaters of the dead.

[Deadman Tells the Spooky Tales](#)

By Franco Aureliani

J Graphic DC Comics

Ghost host Deadman navigates the spooky, strange, and unexplained in these eerie tales.

[Ghost Book](#)

By Remy Lai

J Graphic Ghost

When July saves a ghost boy from being devoured by a Hungry Ghost, she becomes her first every friend. Except William is not a ghost. He is a wandering soul and as the friends embark on an adventure to return William to his body, the uncover that for William to live, July must die.

[Nightlights](#)

By Lorena Alvarez

J Graphic Nightlig

When a mysterious girl appears at school and learns of Sandy's drawings, that she creates from the tiny stars that appear in her room at night, Morfie's fascination soon turns into something sinister.

[The Sleepover](#)

By Michael Regina

J Graphic Sleepove

Matt's friends plan a fun sleepover to try and cheer him up after the death of his nanny, but the sleepover quickly takes a turn when they realize the family's new nanny may be an actual monster.

[Spirit Week](#)

By Ira Marcks

J Graphic Spirit

When Elijah and Suzy are invited to the famous Underlook Hotel, they set out to solve the mystery at the heart of Underlook and save the town as they race to uncover the shadows of the past.

SPOOKY BOOKS FOR TWEENS



[Darkroom](#)

By K. R. Alexander

J Fic Alexande

Do you think an app that allows you to see ghosts would be cool? Well, be prepared to be haunted... even when your phone is off.

[The Creepening of Dogwood House](#)

By Eden Royce

J Fic Royce

At night, Roddie still dreams of sitting at his mother's feet while she braids his Afro down. But that's a memory from before. It was his family's home for over a hundred years. Now the house--abandoned and rotting, draped in Spanish moss that reminds him too much of hair--is his home too.

[Small Spaces](#)

By Katherine Arden

J Fic Arden

After suffering a tragic loss, 11-year-old Ollie, who only finds solace in books, discovers a chilling ghost story about a girl named Beth, the two brothers who loved her, and a peculiar deal made with "the smiling man."

[The Night Gardener](#)

By Jonathan Auxier

J Fic Auxier

Follow two abandoned Irish siblings as they travel to work as servants at a creepy, crumbling English manor house. But soon the children are confronted by a mysterious specter and a curse that could end their lives.

[The Jumbies](#)

By Tracey Baptiste

J Fic Baptiste

Corinne isn't afraid of anything. Certainly not jumbies, which are made-up to frighten kids. Then one night Corinne runs into the forbidden forest, and shining yellow eyes follow her. They couldn't belong to a jumbie, could they?

[The House with a Clock in its Walls](#)

By John Bellairs

J Fic Bellairs

A boy goes to live with his magician uncle in a mansion that has a clock hidden in the walls which is ticking off the minutes until doomsday.

[Doll Bones](#)

By Holly Black

J Fic Black

Zach, Poppy, and Alice have long acted out one continuous, ever-changing game of pirates and thieves, mermaids and warriors. But, now they must embark on a real-life quest to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl.

[Nightmare Island](#)

By Shakirah Bourne

J Fic Bourne

When Serenity's parents take her brother to Duppy Island for "treatment," Serenity is confronted by the creepy Dr. Whisper and the faceless douen children who are trapped between the living and the dead.

[Ghostsitter](#)

By Shelly Brown

J Fic Brown

Tiffany Hart dreams of one thing: to be class president. However, dreams turn to nightmares when she ends up almost dead in an abandoned building and develops the oh-so-awful gift of ghost-seeing.

[A Small Zombie Problem](#)

By K.G. Campbell

J Fic Campbell

When August DuPont leaves his eccentric Aunt Hydrangea's crumbling mansion for the first time ever, he meets family, makes a friend, and attracts a zombie.

[The Witches](#)

By Roald Dahl

J Fic Dahl

Grandmamma loves to tell about witches, the most dangerous of all living creatures on earth. There's nothing they hate so much as children, and they work all kinds of terrifying spells to get rid of them. Can Grandmamma and her grandson defeat the witches and save the world's children?

[Coraline](#)

By Neil Gaiman

J Fic Gaiman

Looking for excitement, 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.

[The Puppet's Payback and Other Chilling Tales](#)

By Mary Downing Hahn

J Fic Hahn

Each tale turns something ordinary--a pigeon, a white dress, a stranger on the bus, a puppet--into a sinister link to the supernatural. For the human characters, secrets from the past or careless behavior in the present can lead to serious trouble.

[Scary Stories for Young Foxes](#)

By Christian McKay Heidicker

J Fic Heidicke

When Mia and Uly are separated from their litter, they discover a dangerous world full of monsters. In order to find a den to call home, they must facing unspeakable things that dwell in the darkness.

[Omega Morales and the Legend of La Lechuza](#)

By Laekan Zea Kemp

J Fic Kemp

A girl must learn to trust herself, and her ancestral powers, when she comes face-to-face with the Mexican legend La Lechuza.

[Monstrous Devices](#)

By Damien Love

J Fic Love

Twelve-year-old Alex must flee with his grandfather across snowy Europe to escape the human and mechanical assassins that pursue them, trying to retrieve a powerful object.

[Thirteens](#)

By Kate Alice Marshall

J Fic Marshall

Every 13 years in Eden Eld, three 13-year-olds disappear. Eleanor has just moved to the quiet, prosperous Eden Eld. When she starts to seeing things that no one else can see, Eleanor know something must change.

[The Keeper](#)

By Guadalupe Garcia McCall

J Fic McCall

James knew moving from Texas to Oregon was going to be horrible. And no sooner have he and his family arrived than he starts getting mysterious letters from someone called the Keeper, who is looking for "young blood."