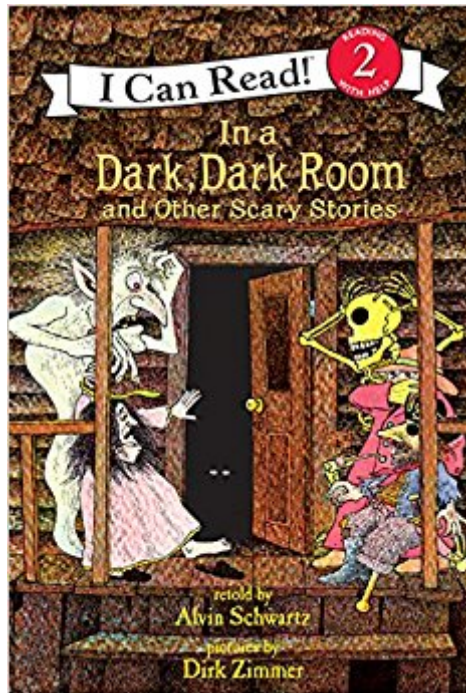


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In A Dark, Dark Room And Other Scary Stories (I Can Read! Reading 2)



Synopsis

Creak...Crash...BOO! Shivering skeletons, ghostly pirates, chattering corpses, and haunted graveyards...all to chill your bones! Share these seven spine-tingling stories in a dark, dark room.

Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

Customer Reviews

Grade 1
•This collection of short stories (HarperCollins, 1984) retold by Alvin Schwartz are just creepy enough to give youngsters shivers without causing nightmares. The seven tales were collected from a variety of sources and include some classics such as "The Green Ribbon" (holding on a severed head) and "The Night It Rained" (a man discovers that his hitchhiker was a ghost). Dirk Zimmer performs the stories in a sepulchral tone with a measured pace and different voices for the characters. Background music is light and seems deliberately designed to lessen the scary mood. This Level 2 I Can Read book is perfect for younger children who are constantly pestering the librarian for "something scary."
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In a dark, dark room, in a soft, soft voice, tell a scary story--It's fun! It's fun to scare your friends

with stories about ghosts and pirates, skeletons and strange happenings. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Our son has been begging for this book for years. I read reviews that it may give some children nightmares so I was hesitant. It turns out, our son read it at his school library behind my back prior to this purchase. He is a huge fan of scary stories and me forbidding this one made him want it even more I suppose. I remember these stories from when I was younger as well. They definitely seem like from a different era. Depending on the age of your child and their personality, they would probably enjoy it as much as my son. I made him wait until he was 8, but as I said, I think he read it at 6-7 without me knowing.

It is difficult to find scary Halloween books that are successfully written for the primary grades. I have a shelf of suitably scary books for grades three and up but, telling a story that is just scary enough, but not too scary for grades Pre-K- 2 is a challenge. This book succeeds beautifully.

These stories are actually pretty "dark" - so of course the kids LOVE this book! It's not too scary - just enough to be fun. The pictures are perfectly gloomy and mysterious, yet not real enough to be truly upsetting. Of course there are some children who you wouldn't want to read this to, but all of ours, and the grand children now, ask to have it read to them. It's usually the first one they choose from the book basket.

My kids give this book 5 stars, but it is really creepy stuff! My kids recite some of the stories from memory, much to my chagrin. I ended up putting it away until October when it will have permission to come out for Halloween.

One of my 6-year old daughters dislikes reading but is willing to read this book aloud (and to herself) again and again because she loves the stories. I appreciate that the level of scariness is just right and the wording is impartial enough to distance the child from the action. Some stories are made with the purpose of "jumping out" at the reader, but even these surprise style stories are mild enough for both of my daughters. As someone who loves reading and used to read a lot of horror and folklore I also enjoyed recognizing some of the plots as cleaned up versions of classic stories. The illustrations are also very good. Yes, scary things are shown but in a mild way. I especially appreciate the cover image and the opposite illustration inside. I wish there were other stories of this

exact level out there!

I had this book as a child and wanted my 8 year old daughter to have it as well. Although it was very simple for her reading capability, I was happy I purchased it for sentimental reasons.

This was one of my favorite books as a kid that I checked out endlessly from the library but never got to own- I was delighted to remember it and find it still in print! I bought a copy for myself and my 5 year old nephew, who also loves it. His mother was impressed that it manages to deal with genuinely creepy subject matter while still being appropriate for that age group (as opposed to many "scary stories" for kids that end up being watered down or overexplained to the point that they're not scary at all!) Absolutely recommend if you're looking for a dose of nostalgia, some wonderful artwork, and/or have a young child in your life who has a good taste for creepy stuff!

Purchased for my five year old nephew that loves movies like Hocus Pocus and the Goosebump series. This is now one of his new favorite books to read.

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