

The Girl in the Mirror

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The night couldn't have gone more wrong...

The gate creaked open, and they all started leading themselves toward the house. "Guys this is a bad idea," said Scarlett as they were walking through the narrow pathway surrounded by huge trees and bushes.

"Exactly. It's been abandoned for years and anyone who's ever gone in there hasn't come back. We'd be risking our lives" agreed Aveena. It was Halloween night and they had decided they wanted to explore an abandoned haunted house. Little did they know there was a young girl who had been brutally murdered by her family in the late 1800s. Since that day, not many dared to even walk near the house.

Liam looked annoyed and replied, "Nothing will happen because those are rumors".

They reached the front porch and before they could even touch the door, it opened. As they started to walk inside, everything began to darken, and screeching noises came from one of the upstairs bathrooms. "Does anyone have a flashlight?" asked Jack hurriedly.

"Yeah, I think I do. Let me turn it on" replied Scarlett as she quickly shuffled through her bag. She turned it on and all at once the screeching went silent. Then there was a loud thud and suddenly many bats started rushing towards the 4 of them.

"Take cover!" yelled Aveena, covering her face with her hands. They let the bats pass by and continued walking through the pin-drop silence when they stumbled across a mirror.

"Let's play Bloody Mary" suggested Liam in a foolish way. The mirror had golden accents and cracks on the side, and you could see imprints of creatures embedded into the frame.

"No, are you crazy?" warned Scarlett, "who knows what could happen". Liam ignored her though and started to repeat the words Bloody Mary to himself as he stared into the mirror.

The first two times he said it, nothing happened.

"Liam, stop! Who knows what could happen" repeated Scarlett again, but Liam ignored her.

On the final time, there was a huge gush of wind and many candles lit up that weren't even there before. All of a sudden, everything stopped and there was silence. Just silence. Abruptly, there was some howling, and the windows began to burst open, shards of glass everywhere as the doorknobs kept shaking.

Soft thuds started to form above them and led towards the staircase. Then, it stopped. They all started to frantically look around in confusion. Suddenly, they see a pale girl wearing a white dirty nightgown covered in blood, with her hair covering her face on the staircase, staring

at them. Her feet turn backwards and her back bend all the way until her hands are touching the stairs. Then all of a sudden, she starts crawling towards the four of them at a fast pace. They all gave each other a look and started to freak out.

“RUN!!!” screamed Aveena and Scarlett, and they all began to run.

Soon they were at the door to leave, but when they opened it, a mirror blocked the exit, making it impossible to leave. They tried taking different objects and smashing them against the mirror in hopes of breaking it. Then all of a sudden, the clock struck twelve and when they looked in the mirror, there in the reflection, showed the same girl standing except this time there was bright red blood in her hands, and she was holding a knife. Liam turned around and so did the rest of them, but when they did, she was no longer there.

“Where did she go? And how are we going to leave? This was such a bad idea” said Liam with a regretful look on his face.

“Yeah, it was, and it’s all your fault. We wouldn’t have been stuck in this mess if it weren’t for you” replied Aveena. Aveena and Liam started arguing and blaming each other for the series of events that had happened until now.

“Uh- Guys...” whispered Scarlett to them.

They all looked over to see the girl standing in front of them with her head tilted, and a slight grin on her face. And then, everything went black...

RING, RING, RING!!! Scarlett opened her eyes in confusion, having flashbacks of the dream. She checked her phone for the time and saw that it was 3:00 am. She looked around and saw her friends starting to wake up.

“Guys, I had the worse dream ever” commented Scarlett.

“Me too. In my dream, all of us were at this haunted house-” replied Liam.

Scarlett cut him off and said, “and we were trying to leave but there was this mirror blocking the way...”. The 4 of them looked at each other in confusion, and then it hit them.

“Wait... did all of us just have the same dream?” questioned Aveena.

In that exact moment, they all saw something flash by the mirror in Scarlett’s bedroom, and when they looked in the mirror, they saw something move. Aveena and Jack started to slowly walk towards the mirror, taking gradual steps, and when they were close enough to see what was making the motion in the mirror, they were shocked.

Standing there in plain sight, was the same pale girl from their dream, walking towards them. Suddenly they felt cold fingers grasping their shoulders and something breathing down their neck.....