

LITERACY CENTER HALLOWEEN STORY CONTEST

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One (adjective) spooky October night, Ben and his mother went to visit his Uncle Jack. Ben felt happy. He loved Uncle Jack because Uncle Jack was always playing silly jokes.

Uncle Jack told Ben and Mom that the bedroom they were going to sleep in was haunted. They laughed. "Every night at midnight the ghost gives three knocks on the door," said Uncle Jack, and winked at Ben. Ben and his Mom laughed some more. Uncle Jack was always so (adjective) crazy!

After eating dinner, Uncle Jack told them that he was going to play cards with his friend Ron who lived in (noun/place) Ohio. "Don't wait up," warned Uncle Jack, "When we get together we normally talk for hours."

Uncle Jack left and Ben and Mom got ready for bed. It had been a busy day and they soon fell asleep. They were woken by the sound of three knocks on the door. They both looked at the (noun) clock. It was midnight. They smiled at each other as they heard footsteps going down the hall to Uncle Jack's room.

Next morning, when Ben and his mom got up and (verb) tumbled downstairs, there was no sign of Uncle Jack. Ben knocked on his bedroom door. There was no answer. He knocked again. There was still no answer, so Ben opened the door. To his surprise, the room was empty.

Ben was just about to tell his mother, when the phone rang. Mom answered it. It was Uncle Jack calling. He told her that his (noun) motorcycle had broken down last night and so he had to spend the night at his friend's house.

Ben and Mom looked at each other, but this time they were not laughing.

Who had knocked three times on their door at midnight?