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Writing Prompt 4

In honor of it finally being October, here are some scary story prompts below. Read through each of the following and choose one to expand into a short story, or create a short, scary story of your own.

A GIRL HEARD HER MOM YELL HER NAME FROM DOWNSTAIRS, SO SHE GOT UP AND STARTED TO HEAD DOWN. AS SHE GOT TO THE STAIRS, HER MOM PULLED HER INTO HER ROOM AND SAID "I HEARD THAT, TOO."

THERE'S NOTHING LIKE THE LAUGHTER OF A BABY. UNLESS IT'S 1 A.M. AND YOU'RE HOME ALONE.

I WOKE UP TO HEAR KNOCKING ON GLASS. AT FIRST, I THOUGHT IT WAS THE WINDOW UNTIL I HEARD IT COME FROM THE MIRROR AGAIN.

**I ALWAYS THOUGHT MY CAT HAD A STARING
PROBLEM - SHE ALWAYS SEEMED FIXATED
ON MY FACE. UNTIL ONE DAY, WHEN I
REALIZED THAT SHE WAS ALWAYS LOOKING
JUST BEHIND ME.**

**IN ALL OF THE TIME THAT I'VE
LIVED ALONE IN THIS HOUSE, I
SWEAR TO GOD I'VE CLOSED
MORE DOORS THAN I'VE OPENED.**

**THEY CELEBRATED THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL
CRYOGENIC FREEZING. HE HAD NO WAY OF
LETTING THEM KNOW HE WAS STILL
CONSCIOUS.**

I BEGIN TUCKING HIM INTO BED AND HE TELLS ME, "DADDY, CHECK FOR MONSTERS UNDER MY BED." I LOOK UNDERNEATH FOR HIS AMUSEMENT AND SEE HIM, ANOTHER HIM, UNDER THE BED, STARING BACK AT ME QUIVERING AND WHISPERING, "DADDY, THERE'S SOMEBODY ON MY BED."

IT'S BEEN WATCHING ME FOR HOURS NOW. SOMETIMES I CATCH GLIMPSES OF IT'S REFLECTION ON THE COMPUTER SCREEN, BUT I DARE NOT TURN AROUND.