

The Halloween Ghost

Carlestton is a modest village surrounded by the high mountains of Northern California. These impressive hills are isolating the community from the surrounding villages and municipalities. Tonight is not an ordinary night for the community because it is Halloween night. Halloween has been a tradition and an important holiday over the last generations for the community.

For the first in his life, Jimmy decided to stay home on Halloween night because he was too old to trick or treat. His parents had the habit to leave the house empty on Halloween night although many children would come and sneak around. Jimmy's parents were not at home and they decided to go at a friend's house to enjoy the Holiday on this freezing and dark night of October. Halloween night in Carlestton is always a couple of degrees below zero and it is also windy because the village is located in a valley. The strong wind blew dead brown leaves all over the place. Jimmy's house is special. Indeed, the house is older than most of the village's houses and this house catches the attention of the other citizens of the village.

When Jimmy was young, he caught many people observing suspiciously the house from the driveway. He used to question his parents if there were anything special about the house. His parents responded that if there were many people looking at their house, it was simply because they have a house with a rare design. Many people envied Jimmy's family for their house.

In reality, Jimmy's parents wanted to leave the house as soon as possible since most of people in the village, except Jimmy, knew that the house is cursed. The house is haunted by the spirit of a man killed inside the house twenty five years ago. Jimmy's parents wanted to leave

the house, but Jimmy did not want to leave it. Jimmy loves his house because it is a peaceful and quiet .

Jimmy's parents had one option left and it was to leave Jimmy all alone on Halloween night. Hopefully, he would discover the truth about the house all by himself. On this cold and windy autumn night, Jimmy was giving candies to all children who came at his house. Jimmy was amazed to see the great number of people who decided to stop by this dark and creepy house since it is on a lonely road where the closest habited house is at almost a quarter of mile away.

Jimmy had a good night on his own watching TV and listening music on his Ipod. Time went by and the wind was blowing violently against the windows. All of a sudden, the TV turned off by itself while he was listening to his Ipod. He got up to see what was happening and he heard a strange noise followed by a creepy voice. He went upstairs and in the basement, but he could not find anything explaining this unusual noise that he heard. His feeling of fear slowly went away when the TV went back on.

Although Jimmy is a courageous person, he was scared and he did not know what to do and where to go. With the violent wind and rain outside, he decided to stay inside and to wait for his parents to get back home. After twenty minutes of calmness, Jimmy was still confused about what just happened. When Jimmy went back in the living room, he did not see anything outside, but he heard someone walking around the house. The first though that came to his mind was that several children decided to come to his house to collect candies since it was Halloween night. He went outside and then he realised that nobody was there. He walked to the sidewalk to see if the children decided to head back. He did not see anything since a thick fog had appeared.

Jimmy returned to the house and he heard the creepy voice again while he was in the doorway. When he turned around, he was facing a sort of evil old human spirit. He went back in the house and locked the door. He wanted to open the lights but it did not work. He decided to hide himself under the couch. After he had been hiding for more than 30 minutes, he heard young voices outside begging for candies accompanied with an older person. Jimmy went really fast at the door and said “we have to get away from here, there is a bad ghost hanging around the house.”

Astonished and surprised by children’s calm attitude, Jimmy stopped running and he yelled “what the hell are you guys waiting for” and they responded “to see the evil ghost you’re talking about, this is why we are here after all. Do you really think we would come that far to see your ugly house just to get a bunch of candies?” When his parents came back home, there was half of the community walking around the house to observe this unnatural force. A couple of days later, the priest ordered the municipal court to have this cursed house burned down for the security of the Carlesston’s citizens. Within the following days, Jimmy was told by his parents that it had to happen since they could not abandon their house on every single Halloween night like they used to do during the last fifteen years.

