

Secret Room

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It was a sunny morning. Ava had invited her friends Megan, Bethany and Sadie for a sleepover. They were going to stay at Ava's uncle's house. His name was Johnny. When they arrived, Johnny greeted them. The girls were excited because they had never spent the night together. Johnny showed them around the house. He told them about a special room that they should never go in.

That night the girls watched a movie and told scary stories. Finally, they all went to sleep except Ava. She just pretended but was really wondering about the room. Johnny was also awake waiting for one of the girls to sneak in the room. He was hoping he could scare them, so they never come back for another sleepover.

When it was quiet, Ava crept to the room. She slowly turned the handle and entered. She could see around because the moonlight was shining in the window. Everything was dusty and covered with old sheets. Ava got scared and tried to get out. When she turned the handle it was locked! She began to see things walking towards her. Ava grabbed the sheets. She saw creepy statues under them.

Ava tied the sheets together and one end to the window lock. She dropped the end out the window and climbed down. When she looked back, she realized the statues weren't moving at all. She must have imagined it. When she got to the ground, she went and told her friends what happened. They were scared and said they would never come back again! The girls left early in the morning. When Johnny got up, he looked in the room. They were gone. He laughed and went to eat breakfast. He knew his plan had worked.