

3.6 Spooky!

Vocabulary

- 1 a) Match the words to the pictures.
Listen and say.

1 ☐ witch

2 ☐ alien

3 ☐ fairy

4 ☐ dwarf

- b) Think of a film or a story which includes one of these creatures. Tell the class the plot.

Reading & Speaking

- 2 a) Read the first and the last exchanges in a dialogue between two friends.
Why do you think Bob doesn't like the house?
Listen and read to find out.

A: Hi, Bob. How's your new flat?
B: I don't like it very much, Alex.
A: Why? What's wrong with it?
B: Strange things happen there at night.
A: Really? Like what?
B: Well, the first night I moved in, I went to bed at about 10 pm, after I had unpacked my things and had had a shower. Suddenly, I heard footsteps outside my bedroom, but there was no one there.
A: No way!
B: I had been in my bed for an hour when I heard a crash.
A: Oh no! What was it?
B: I don't know because I couldn't find anything broken.
A: Strange.
B: I know. Then, the next night, I heard a noise from the bathroom, but it was empty.
A: Maybe it was someone next door.
B: That's what I thought, but then I saw that the carpet leading to my bedroom was wet.
A: Maybe you had spilled something earlier.
B: I'm sure that it wasn't wet before I went to the bathroom.
A: Spooky! What did you do?
B: I grabbed my shoes and ran to Billy's house. I don't want to go back there.
A: I don't blame you. You can stay with me if you like.

Check these words

footsteps, crash, broken,
leading to, wet, spill,
grab, blame

b) Read the dialogue and mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false).

- 1 Bob moved into a new flat. _____
- 2 Strange things happened at night. _____
- 3 The first night he heard voices. _____
- 4 There was someone in the bathroom. _____
- 5 The carpet leading to his bedroom was wet. _____
- 6 Bob is staying at Alex's house. _____

c) Complete the summary with the words from the list. Close your books and tell the class.

- suddenly • first • then
- finally • after (that)
- as soon as

Bob recently moved into a new flat but strange things started to happen.

- 1) _____, he heard footsteps while he was in bed, but no one was there. 2) _____ he heard a crash but couldn't find anything broken. 3) _____, the next night, he heard more noises. 4) _____ he noticed the carpet was wet. 5) _____ he saw it he panicked. 6) _____, he left the flat.

Grammar Linkers

3 Join the sentences using the linkers.

1 He didn't want to stay at home	as	a he decided to go back into the room.
2 He was watching TV one night	because	b he entered the room.
3 He heard footsteps	and then	c ran out of the house.
4 He opened the door	when	d there was no one outside.
5 The noise stopped	and	e strange things were happening at his house.
6 He saw a shadow	but	f he heard a crash.
7 He grabbed his coat	so	g the TV turned itself off.

Past perfect

4 Read the table. Put the verbs in brackets into the **past perfect** or the **past simple**.

had + past participle	
Affirmative:	I/You/He/We/They etc. had already left.
Negative:	I/You/He/We/They etc. hadn't called.
Interrogative:	Had I/you/he/we/they etc. done it?
Short answers:	Yes, I/you/he/we etc. had . No, I/you/he/we etc. hadn't .
We use the past perfect for	
• actions which happened before another action in the past. <i>She had painted the room when he arrived.</i>	
• actions finished in the past whose result was visible in the past. <i>He was tired. He had worked since morning.</i>	
Time expressions used with the past perfect: before, after, already, just, for, since etc.	

- 1 She was scared. She _____ (**see**) a ghost.
- 2 He _____ (**be**) in London for two years before he _____ (**move**) to New York.
- 3 Suddenly, she _____ (**hear**) a strange noise.
- 4 They _____ (**not sleep**) for days and were exhausted.
- 5 She _____ (**already/leave**) the house before they _____ (**arrive**)

Writing

5 Find or think of a ghost story. Write a short summary of it (100 words). Present it to the class.