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Scary Sentence Starters

Using one of the lines from literature listed below, you will write your own scary story. The trick is that you *MUST* use one of the lines provided as the *FIRST* line of your story. Have fun!

"Even the dead tell stories ..."

- Marcus Sedgwick, *Revolver*

"True terror is to wake up one morning and discover that ..."

- Kurt Vonnegut

"For a moment she remained trembling and reeling to and fro upon the threshold, then ..."

- Edgar Allan Poe, "The Fall of the House of Usher"

"Deep into the darkness peering, long I stood there wondering, fearing ..."

- Edgar Allan Poe, "The Raven"

"Lean on! The night is waning fast, and it is precious ...!"

- Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol"

"There are such beings as vampires, some of us have evidence that they exist. Even had we not the proof of our own unhappy experience, the teachings and records of the past ..."

- Bran Stoker, *Dracula*

"Don't ever tell anybody anything. If you do, you start ..."

- J.D. Salinger, *The Catcher in the Rye*

"They come from nightmares. Not the nighttime variety, as a rule, but the ones that ..."

- Stephen King, "The Horror Writer Market and the Ten Bears"

