

Halloweeno



Don't be scared. Be TERRIFIED....

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The Ranterino in...

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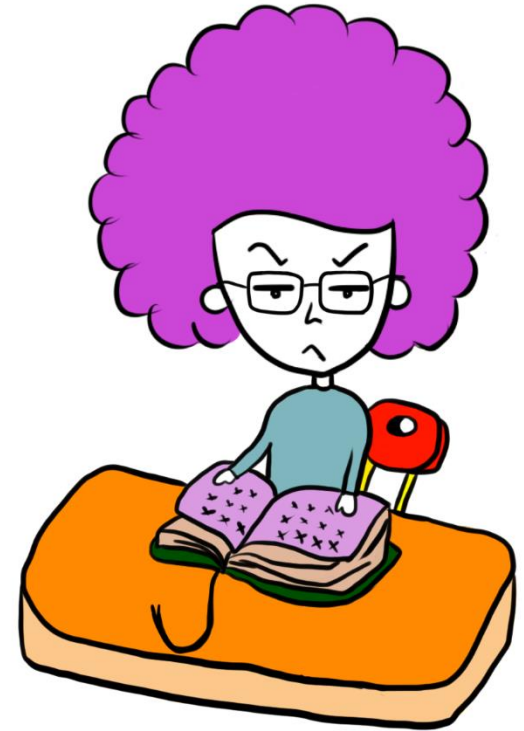
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The Ranterino looked at his calendar and said ‘Blah, blah, blah.’
It was that time of year again.
That time of year when all the kids came out
And on the street, on every street,
He could hear them shout and shout...
‘Trick or treat, trick or treat, trick or treat, trick or treat!’

‘I don’t like Halloween,’ he said to himself
As he lifted a book from the shelf.
The book in his hand was called
101 Ways to Stop Trick or Treaters.

The Ranterino opened the book at the first chapter.
It was called *How to Make Your Eyes Bleed.*
He put on his glasses and started to read...



A little later, when it was dark,
The Ranterino looked out his window at the park.
The kids were out to trick or treat in ghostly bedsheets
And every one asking for treats.
Very soon they were walking down the Ranterino's street.



With everything ready and all prepared,
The Ranterino sat by his window in the dark and stared
Out the window and down the street
Until he heard the little voices shout out all about....
‘Trick or treat, trick or treat, trick or treat, trick or treat!’

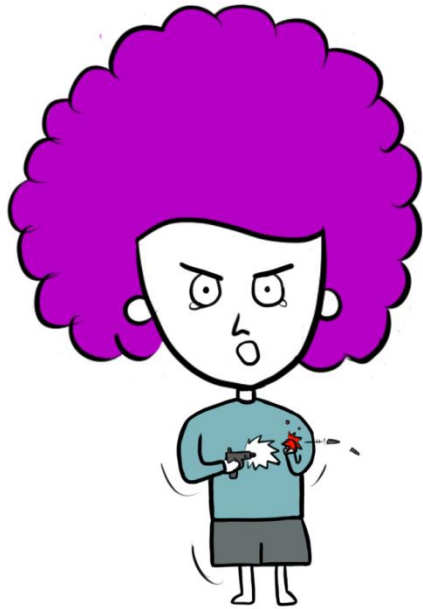




Opening his purple gate
Were two young boys aged about eight.
They were singing as they knocked the door
And said 'Trick or Treat' once more.
The Ranterino rose from his chair
And placed a big spider in his hair.
He opened up his big front door
And that's when the two young boys saw
The Ranterino standing there...

...with his head on back to front!

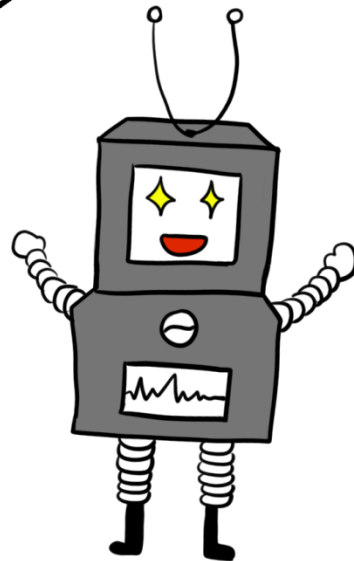




He thought that that would be enough
To scare these two little boys off.
But they just stood there calmly and one boy said,
‘Wow, that’s cool! Are you the living dead?’
The little boys weren’t surprised or scared.
They thought the Ranterino looked quite fun.
So he pulled out a magic-trick gun
And shot himself in the thumb...

The boys looked on with happy grins
And then they said 'Show us more.'
The Ranterino's head revolved around
To show his bleeding eyes.
And with a croaky, creepy voice he said,
'Everyone who knocks on my front door dies!'

**EVERYONE WHO
KNOCKS ON MY FRONT
DOOR DIES!**



**SHOW US
MORE!!!**

When the Ranterino's ears began to fizz
The boys just said 'That's cool, that is!
How do you do it? Teach us, please.'
And that's when the Ranterino began to sneeze...
From out his nose came black bats and mice
And the two boys looked up and said 'That's nice!'



**THERE'S NO SUCH THINGS AS
GHOSTS AND GHOULS.
HALLOWEEN IS JUST FOR FOOLS.**



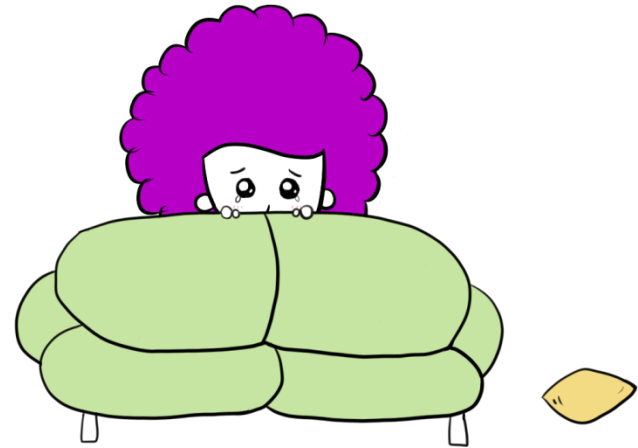
The Ranterino shook his head,
Looked down at the boys and simply said,
‘Why aren’t you two scared of me?
I want to scare you, to make you leave
Because I don’t like Halloween, you see.’
The boys looked up and asked him, ‘Why?’
The Ranterino shrugged and gave a sigh.
‘There’s no such things as ghosts and ghouls.
Halloween is just for fools.’

Just then one boy floated up
Off the ground without a sound.
The other boy turned into a singing dog
And the Ranterino screamed 'OMG!!!!'
Terrified, he ran inside
And found a very good place to hide.



I THOUGHT HALLOWEEN WAS JUST FOR FOOLS...

‘I thought there were no ghosts and ghouls,
No monsters or scary zombies walking dead.
I thought Halloween was just for fools...’
The trembling Ranterino said...



That night as he lay scared and trembling in bed
He thought he felt something touch his head.

He turned the light on and looked about

And suddenly the light went out.

He pulled the covers over his head
And whispering to himself he said,

‘Those boys have scared me so much so
I’m now a terrified Ranterino!’



**THOSE BOYS HAVE
SCARED ME SO MUCH**

**SO I'M NOW A TERRIFIED
RANTERINO!**



The End?

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