

2ND PLACE WINNER



Edna Cook's Book

On October 30, 2007, a girl named Emily Crosswood was getting ready for Halloween in the huge mansion that was her home. Emily had long, black hair, green eyes, and she was eleven. Today her family was having their annual Halloween party. She had invited all of her friends, and her parents had invited the whole neighborhood. It was a big party, and she and all of the kids were playing truth-or-dare. When it was Emily's turn to be dared, a boy named David Martin spoke up.

"Can I dare her something?" Everyone agreed that David could. "I dare you to go to the attic and find Edna Cook's spell book and say a spell from it."

Edna Cook was a so-called "witch" in the town. There was a story that when she lived in this house, she hid her spell book in the attic. In the backyard there was a tombstone that read:

Edna Cook: Born October 5, 1927, Died August 29, 2005

Emily already look scared. "Okay, but you have to come with me," she replied. David agreed and they started to the back of the house. They could still hear the music playing, but the light gradually faded away. In the dim light, Emily noticed dusty cobwebs surrounding her. She opened the door to the attic and went inside. David followed. The room was small compared to all the other rooms in the house. It had a small closet, a couple of chairs covered with white sheets, and a huge picture of a woman.

"Who is that?" David asked.

"That's Edna Cook. I thought you would know that," said Emily.

They pulled open the lids of trunks all around the room. Finally, they found the book.

"Okay, this has to be the spell book," Emily said. She opened the book. "It says here that I have to get candles, light them, and put them in a circle around me."

David ran downstairs, grabbed six candles, and ran back to the attic. Emily lit all the candles and put them in a circle. She began the spell... "Hear all spirits, far and wide. Reverse the tide into fire onto the empire."

Just as Emily said the spell, one of the candles fell onto the floor and caught the curtains on fire. Soon the whole house was on fire. David was running around screaming, but Emily was looking at the smoke. Suddenly it formed the face of Edna. The figure began to speak. "You have released me from my prison so I'll stop the fire." She mumbled a few words and disappeared. Once she disappeared the fire stopped, and from then on everything was normal...or not, because after the fire Emily and David kept looking at the spell book and read out loud...

"Today I'm putting a protection spell over the town so no hurricanes can be within 2,000 miles of the coast of Mississippi. The spell will be broken when I die."

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