



# Spooky Story Writing Prompts

These are just a couple of SUGGESTED prompts. There are numerous websites devoted to spooky writing prompts. Or have students generate their own ideas.

## *Nonfiction Prompts:*

### **(Primary)**

How do you feel about spooky stories? Think of a time when you heard a spooky story or you tried to tell a spooky story to someone else. What happened? Where were you? Who was there? What happened after you heard/told the story?

What's your favorite spooky story? Summarize it, telling readers why it's your favorite.

### **(Secondary)**

Do you believe in ghosts? If yes, write the story that makes you a believer. If no, write the story as to why you are not.

Write about a time when you were irrationally spooked. To set the tone and mood, write the scene in first person, present tense.

## *Fiction Prompts:*

### **(Primary)**

Write a spooky story about your favorite (or least favorite) animal. It can be a live animal... or maybe a stuffed friend!

Write a story about a strange building or structure near where you live. It can be a house, a warehouse, or maybe even a sad-looking bridge. What happens there?

### **(Secondary)**

You are driving alone on a country road when you get a flat tire. Without good cell reception, what do you do? How does this scene play out?

You stumble across a social media site that has been created to "memorialize" your untimely death... tomorrow. What happens next?

This would also be a good time to conduct a read aloud of spooky stories.