

GHOST STORY

1 Read the story and circle the title that does NOT fit.

- a. Tic, Tic, Tic, and It's Not a Clock
- b. Boring TV
- c. I'm Scared of Our Living Room

I have never been so frightened as I am now. I'm absolutely terrified! Have you ever seen a ghost? Well now I can say that I have and I don't want to repeat the experience ever! This is what happened.

I was watching television – a boring program about famous people. It was quite depressing really. Then I heard a noise like tic, tic, tic. At first I didn't take any notice, but then it got really annoying. I turned off the TV and tried to locate where it was coming from. However, as soon as I stood up the noise stopped. I sat down again and the tic, tic, tic started again. Then, I thought it was amusing, even intriguing. Like a mystery.

I've had strange experiences before, but this was definitely one of the strangest. I stood up again. Again the sound stopped. When I sat down I saw the most shocking thing. Three white fingers under the sofa. I couldn't stop myself from screaming, and at that moment the ghost came out from under the sofa and said, "Hello!" I ran out of the room and I haven't returned yet. What am I going to do?

2 Reread and answer the questions.

1. How does the boy feel right now?
absolutely terrified
2. What has he seen?

3. What was the TV program like?

4. How does he describe the noise at first?

5. When did the noise stop?

6. Why did he think it was amusing and intriguing?

7. Is it the first time he has had a strange experience?

8. What did he see under the sofa?

9. Is he in the room now?

> Write

3 Write a story that starts: "I'm absolutely terrified!" and write about what has happened (use the present perfect tense).

I'm absolutely terrified! I've climbed a tree and I can't get down again. I decided to climb up the tree because ...
