

Supernatural Presence

Exposition (Beginning)

I don't believe in ghosts but one night when I was trying to sleep in my room I heard some noises coming from my bathroom. It was our new house, a two story, white farmhouse. The porch looked rickety and there were a few windows missing, but we thought it was perfect. Our neighbours had complained that our house was haunted but since we didn't believe in ghosts, we purchased it.

#This part introduces the narrator, the setting (the old farmhouse), and the situation (rumours of haunting).

Rising Action (Build-up of Suspense)

I got up from my bed and went to check what was going on in the bathroom. I opened the door but nothing unusual was happening. So I switched off my bathroom's light and went back to bed. After about 3 hours, around 3.00 am in the morning I felt very thirsty so I got up to drink water. Through the corner of my eye I saw a light in my bathroom. I turned towards the bathroom from where the light was coming. I checked the light and it was on. I remembered that I had turned it off when I went to bed but even then I didn't think of ghosts. I thought that maybe my parents had used my bathroom. I went to their room, they were sleeping soundly. I went to the kitchen to drink water. I saw a white figure in the kitchen. I thought that it was a burglar. I turned the lights on but no one was there. I turned it off and again I was able to see a white figure standing in front of me.

This section builds tension and mystery through strange happenings — lights turning on, noises, and the ghostly figure.

Climax (Turning Point)

I again turned on the light but I wasn't able to see anyone. I ran to my parents' room upstairs, opened the door and saw them sleeping. I climbed into the bed and slept with my parents that night. I could hear someone calling my name. I tried to remember God and finally I slept.

This is the most intense moment of fear — the narrator hears their name being called by an unseen presence.

Falling Action (Aftermath)

I woke up in the morning and told my parents about everything. They said that they were also experiencing some paranormal things in the house. They had not told me because I would have been scared.

The tension begins to ease. The mystery is shared with the parents, and the truth of the haunting is partly confirmed.

Resolution (Ending)

After 6 months we shifted to a new house. But after that my belief in ghosts totally changed. I now was sure that just as there is God, ghosts also exist.

The story concludes with the narrator's changed belief — a clear resolution of the theme.