



DON'T LOOK AT IT! DON'T TOUCH IT!

A SPOOK-tacular story book

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One dark and scary Halloween night,
four friends named Sammy, Jenny, Sara
and Pete found a *strange* dark box.

Printed across the box, in big black letters,
were these words:



"We'd better
not **look** at it,"
said Sara.



"We'd better
not **touch** it,"
said Jenny.



"We'd better
not **open** it,"
added Sammy
and Pete.

so what do you think they did?



They looked at it,



they touched it,

and then they
opened the strange
dark box.



And **what** do you think
they found?



A *creepy* skeleton key,
on a rusty chain ...





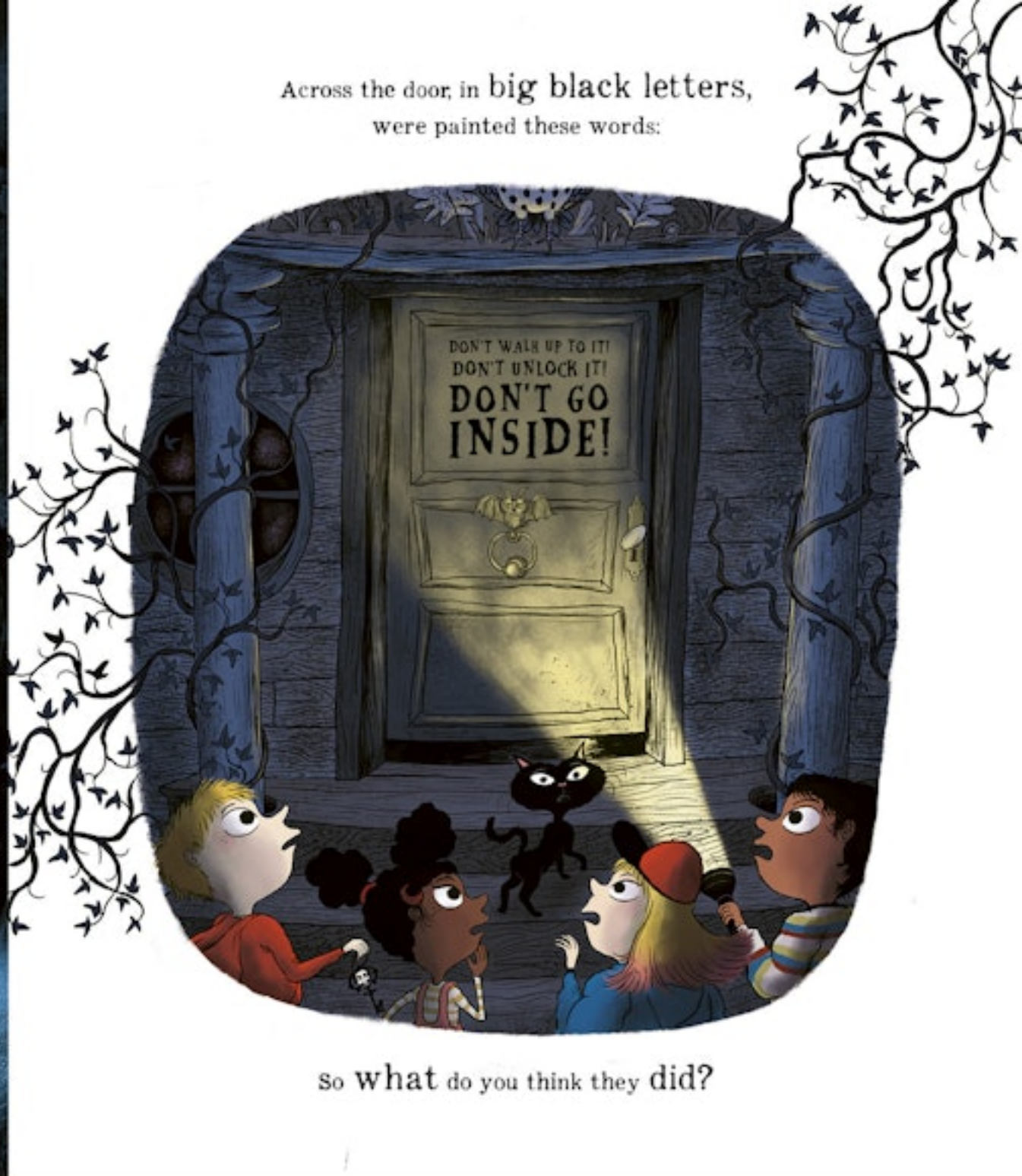
They took four steps.

they turned right.

and then they followed the twisting trail...



Soon they came to a **spooky** old house.



Across the door, in big black letters,
were painted these words:

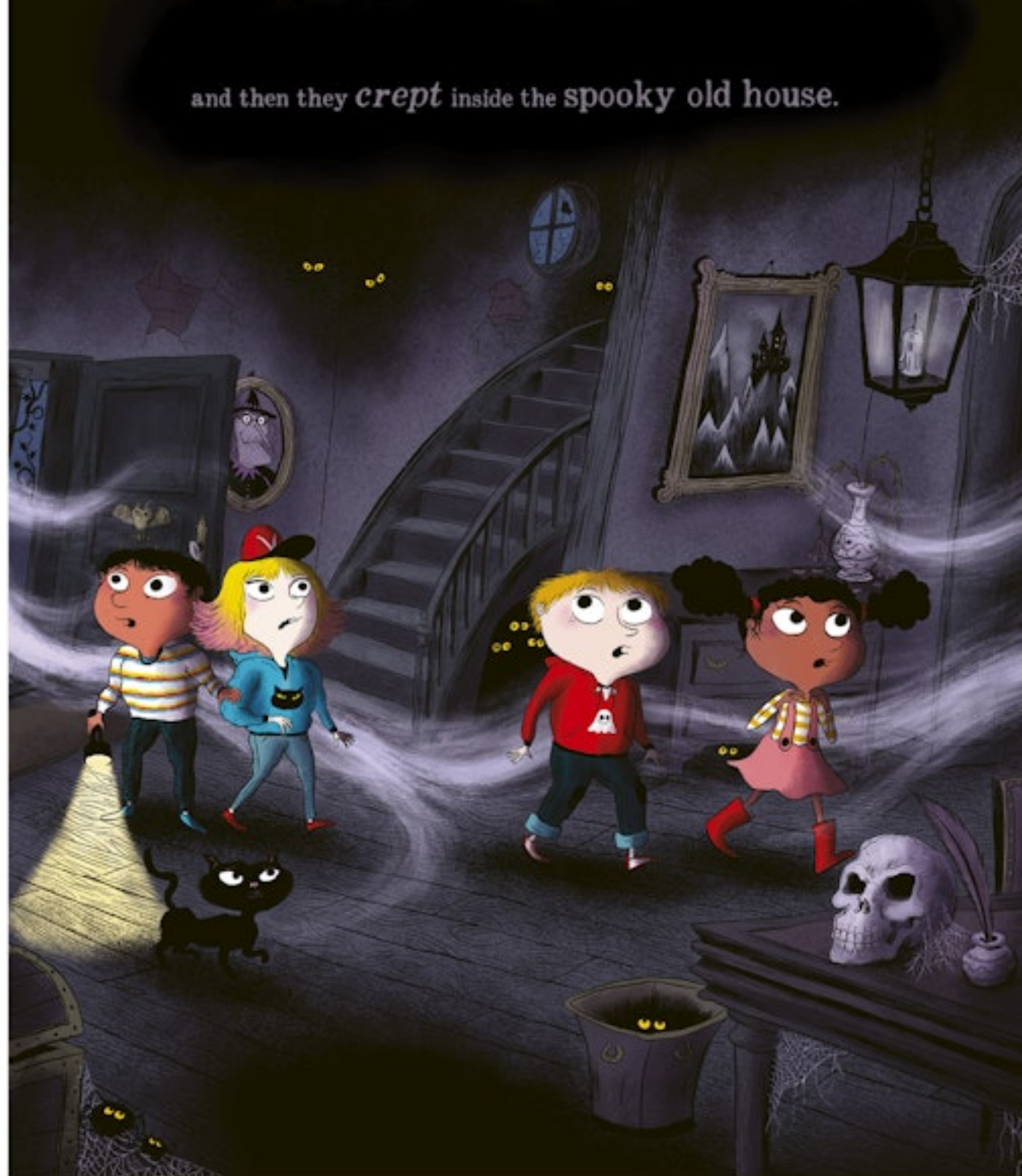
so **what** do you think they did?

They walked
up to it,



they
unlocked it,

and then they *crept* inside the spooky old house.



Spider webs fell across their faces
like *witch's hair*.

"I'm scared,"
said Sara.


"Me too,"
said Sammy

"Me three,"
said Pete.

But Jenny said nothing,
because suddenly
Jenny . . .

had
disappeared!





"Wait," said Sara. "I saw something
move down that long, dark hallway"

And in a muffled voice
the hall whispered:

"DON'T LISTEN TO IT! DON'T FOLLOW IT!"

DON'T WALK DOWN THIS LONG DARK HALL!"

So what do you think they did?

They listened to it.

they followed it.

and then they walked down that

long,

dark

hall.



Soon they reached some steep stairs leading to a black, cold cellar.
And from the black, cold cellar *strange* noises could be heard.

"Maybe that's
Jenny down there,"
said Sara.

"And maybe it's
not Jenny at all,"
said Pete.

But Sammy said nothing,
because now Sammy ...
had disappeared too!



"No matter what we do," said Pete, "we're **not** going down these steep stairs, we're **not** stepping into that cold cellar, and we're **not** following *any* strange noises!"



so **what** do you think they did?

They went down the steep stairs,



they stepped into the cold cellar,



and they followed the strange, strange noises.

Soon they saw flickering candlelight coming from beneath a small doorway. On the doorway, in **big black letters**, were posted these words:



"What should we do?"

Sara asked Pete.

But Pete did not answer.



Because now Pete had somehow **disappeared** too...
and Sara was all alone.



so **what** do you think she **did**?

Slowly
she **crept**
to the door.



Slowly
she **pushed**
it open.



Slowly
she **peeked**
inside.



And **what** do you think she **saw**?



SURPRISE!

TRICK OR TREAT?!

All of her friends, including Sammy, Jenny and Pete, were throwing Sara a surprise Halloween birthday party!

There were pumpkins, scary costumes and punch. And above one corner of a ghostly table there hung a sign.

What do you think it said?

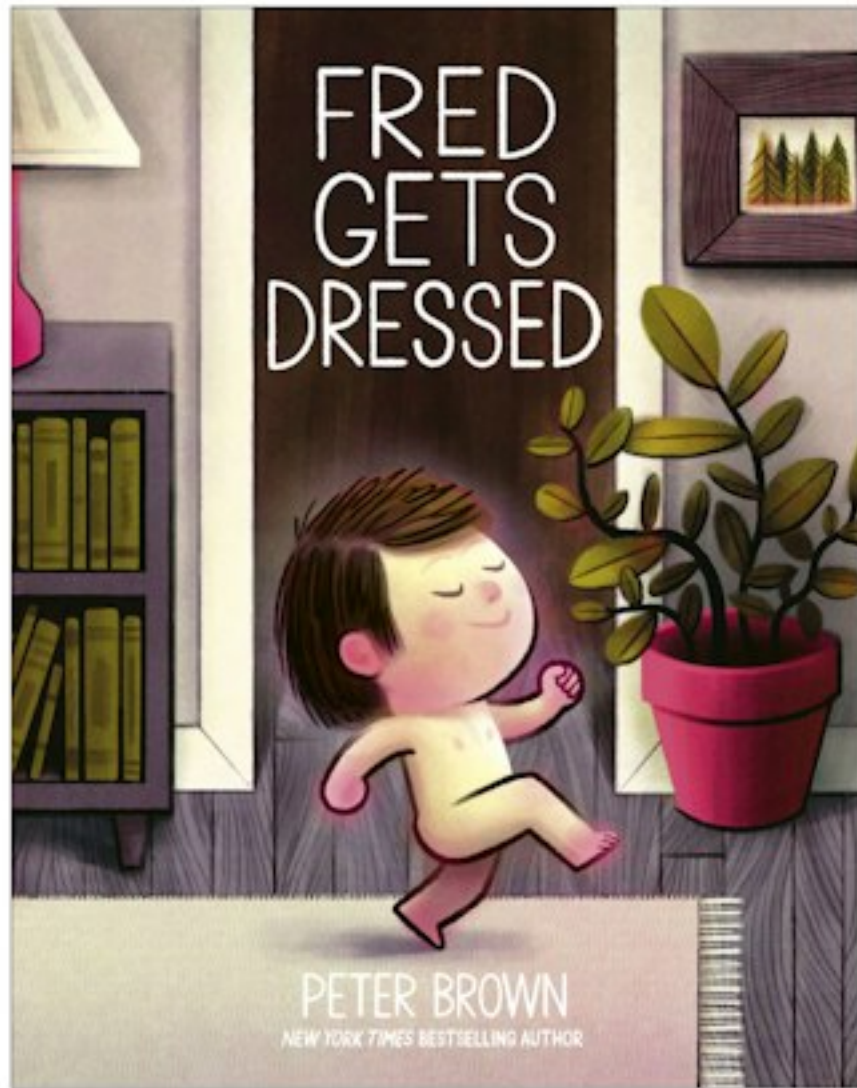
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HAPPY
HALLOWEEN

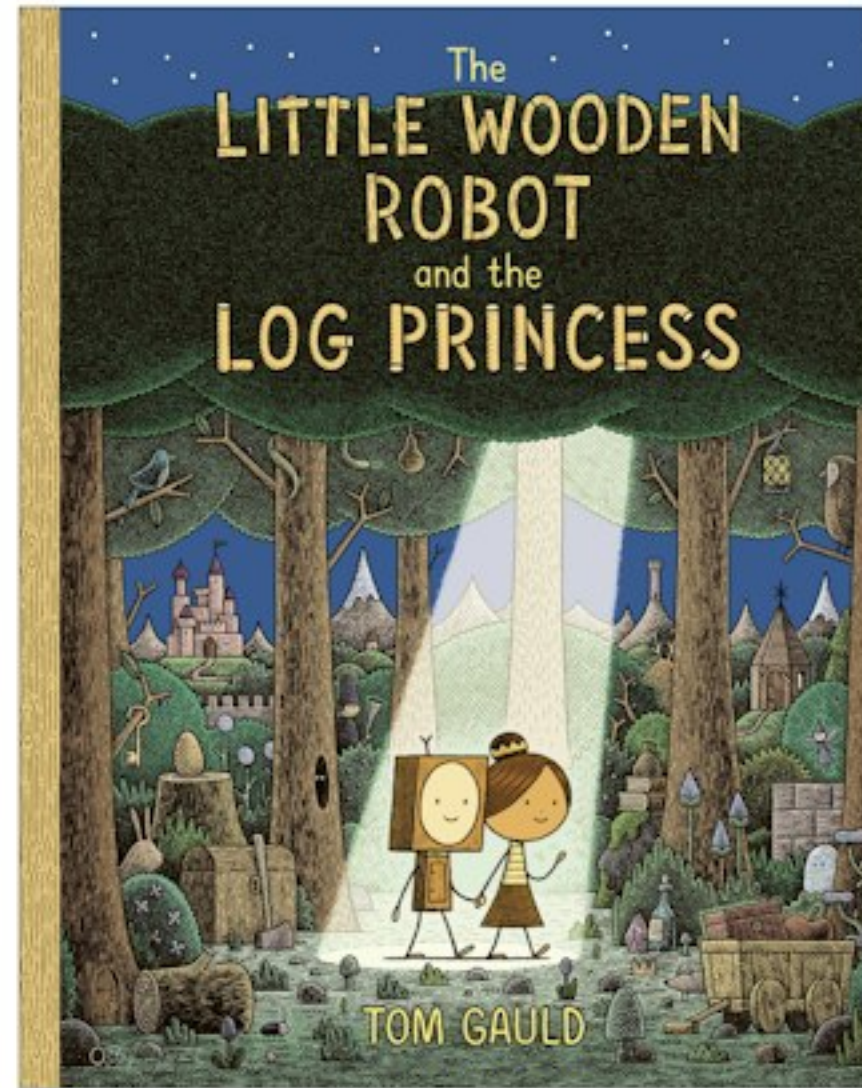




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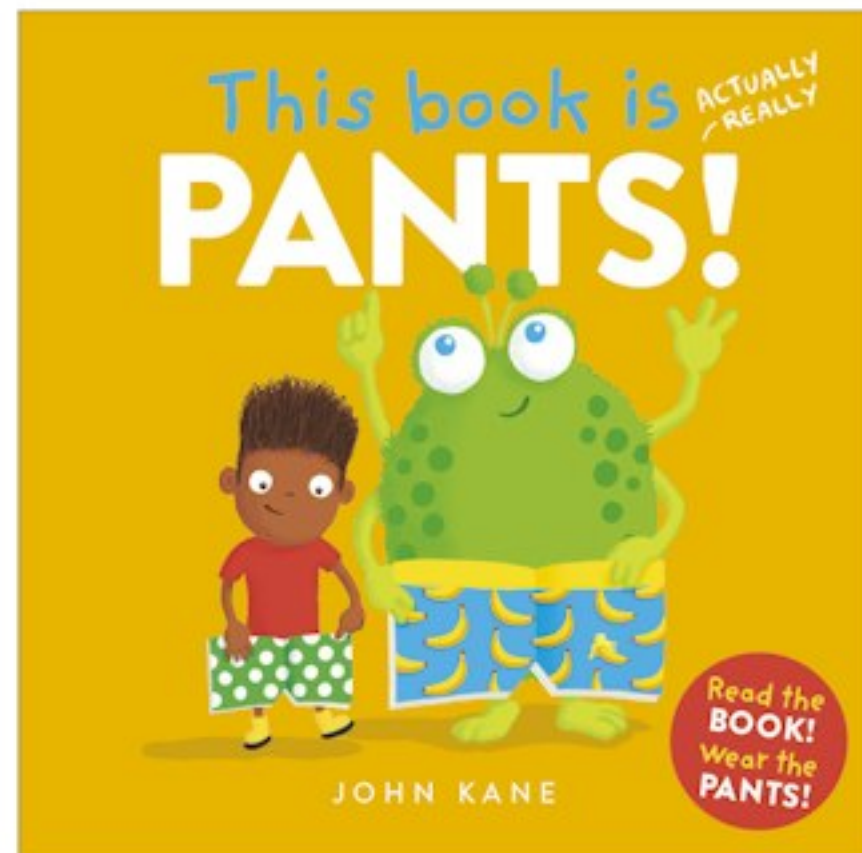
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