

Story starter!



It happened in the dead of night. The garden light illuminated the person, casting a mysterious shadow.

As silent as a whisper in the night, the figure stealthily crept towards the green, wooden doors. Click...The key slipped into the metal lock, the cold mechanisms inside responding to the familiar shape of the object that had been slipped inside. Seeing the padlock pop open as expected, the figure slipped the slender bolt across into its resting position. The doors groaned agonizingly, the figure turning to survey the surrounding area, alarmed at the loudness of the sound their actions had made.

The coast seemed clear. Resuming their mission, the shadow slipped inside the room. There it was. This was the sight and moment they had been waiting for...

Question time!



- ▶ Who is the girl in the picture?
- ▶ Where has she come from?
- ▶ What stories have been told in her village for centuries?
- ▶ What do you think she hopes will be inside the house?
- ▶ What will she actually find inside?
- ▶ Why is she all alone?
- ▶ What are the golden specks of light that appear at the front of the picture?
- ▶ How has the girl found this place?

Sentence challenge!



Imagine you are standing on the edge of the clearing about to cross the field.

How do you feel?

How might you move towards the door?

Can you think of better verbs than walked?

I walked across the field towards to door.

Can you improve this sentence by adding a more powerful verb? Can you improve it in any other ways?

Sick sentences!

These sentences are 'sick' and need help to get better. Can you help?

- ▶ The girl walked towards the house.
- ▶ She felt scared.
- ▶ She opened she door.



Perfect picture!

Can you draw what it is
like inside the house?
What does the girl see
as she enters?

