

Dark Woods

I was leading a boy scout troop in the woods – we discovered that it was a forest that absorbed light. A few feet into the woods and even sunlight was gone, it looked like 10:00 at night. The boys were excited to be camping, but just like a bad horror movie there is trouble brewing.

We discover an Asian barber living in a shack. He speaks no English, but seems like a nice enough guy. The boys try and sell him some chocolate, but he reacts badly and panics, trying to drive us away.

What we don't know is that he has a sweet tooth and an addiction to sugar, but that if he eats too much sugar he goes crazy and kills people with a straight razor. It's the reason he's living out in the woods.

As evening falls and the light is even less effective, the boys want to play in the woods. What we don't know is that a few yards away, hidden in the darkness is a trailer inhabited by a crazy woman. She's been living alone since her "no good" husband refused to take her town to get some dinner – so she killed him and ate him. She's getting mad at the boys for the noise they are making. She also, in a fit of rage, can spontaneously turn herself partly invisible. All that can be seen is her legs at times, or an arm.

Even later at night and a little further away is a man living in a cabin. He is being pursued by a creature. It isn't very fast, but it is relentless. He topples his bed to form a barricade, then tries to sneak back around it to get to the front door and get out. In a voice-over he thinks "Sometimes a man has to give up the things he finds comfortable to avoid the comfort of the grave"

The creature is smarter than he realizes, it has bolted the front door to slow him down and prevent his escape. He is trapped and turns to confront the creature.

I wake up, shaking, and have to inspect the apartment with sword in hand before I can get back to sleep.

(creature: humanoid, 6 foot tall, gray green skin [lighter at head region], bi-pedal. Slow as a zombie, shuffling gait. Eye sockets ringed with pointed teeth, no eyes. Round mouth fixed open, tentacle like tongue emerges. No opening between mouth and throat, except for tongue, open at tip, ringed with teeth like the eyes. Immovable flesh dreadlock-like tentacles on the head. It is slow moving, but smarter than it appears.