Brainstorming - Horror Story

**Step One**

What is your inspiration? What possible scary topics could you explore? Brainstorm your ideas here and pick one:

**Step Two**

Create a character (or two!). Brainstorm possible backstories and details about this character’s life. Have a least one character who the story will follow.

**Step Three**

Setting. Describe the location – likely only one setting in your story. Main character and setting should be linked. Ex. In *The Landlady*, the story takes place in the landlady’s house.

**Step Four**

Elements of your story. You must include imagery, at least one simile, and foreshadowing.

**Imagery** (appeal to the five sense, detailed descriptions)

**Simile** (compare one thing to another using like or as)

**Foreshadowing** (little hints about the creepy ending!)

**Step Five**

Create and follow a plan. Include key events.

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| 1. Beginning – how does it start? |  |
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|  | 1. Ending - Cliff-hanger |