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### ABOUT THE BOOK



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Curly Locks is a good-hearted girl, but she's an awful cook. All the townspeople of Toadsuck Swamp know to steer clear of her culinary concoctions—like the batwing brownies and toad eye toffees. So when one of her dishes goes missin' from her windowsill, word spreads like a kerosene fire about how the Scares have been terrorizin' the town at mealtime. They shriek “Gitchey Boo, Gitchey Bon! Gitchey Goo, Gitchey Gone!” and send folk runnin' from their dinner plates. With everyone else tremblin' and squawkin' about the Scares, Curly Locks gets an inklin'. Can she use her smarts and unique talents to help corral those Scares for good?

Internationally known, award-winning storyteller Donna L. Washington uses her tremendous skill to breathe new life into the classic Goldilocks tale. Her clever, can-do protagonist and joyful language paired with Jeffrey Ebbeler's charming, imaginative illustrations will tempt readers into a ghostly, yet enchanting landscape that they won't want to leave!



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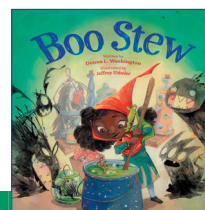
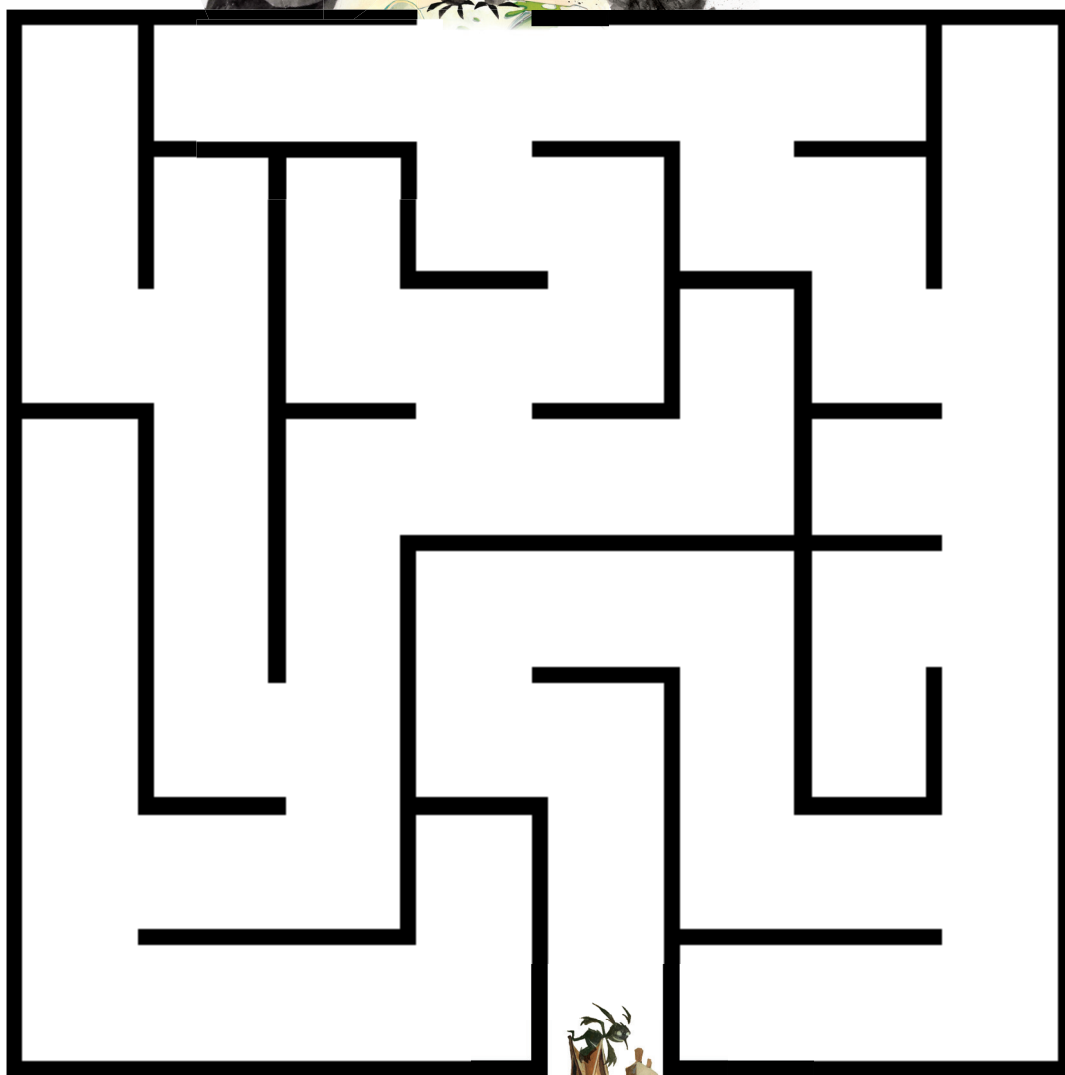
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Help Curly Locks lead the Scares back to Toadsuck Swamp!





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Help Curly Locks locate these items to make her Boo Stew.  
Using the word bank below, circle the words you find.

T O A D S T O O L N A R C D W I P A  
O R P O S S U M G R E A S E S E R C  
P O W D E R E D B E E T L E P L U Q  
M L H H U J L J A R X U N K O W A X  
D Y T X U R Y W Z I K W C P O T O K  
S T O E N A I L C L I P P I N G S I  
G T M Z T B D H L P I Z B S J S Z T  
M O O S E E A R B R O T H O T V P C  
Q C B V G N A T J U I C E J W E Y H  
S N J E E G F K H N Q G P L N L W E  
U W B L I Z A R D S P I T U R M C N  
X R M L G N F L M M H X Y A Z I V Q

BOWL	POWDERED BEETLE
GNAT JUICE	SPOON
KITCHEN	STEW
LIZARD SPIT	STOVE
MOOSE EAR BROTH	TOADSTOOL
POSSUM GREASE	TOENAIL CLIPPINGS
POT	



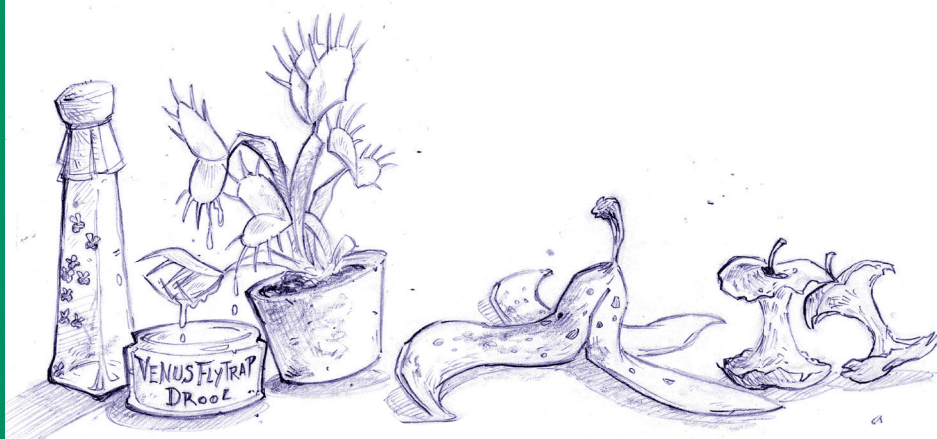


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### MAKE YOUR OWN BOO STEW

Curly Locks uses ingredients like lizard spit and possum grease to put in her famous Boo Stew. If you were making a special Boo Stew for some Scares, what ingredients would you use?  
Use the extra space below to draw some of the ingredients.





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Curly Locks was all ready to post her menu for the Halloween Bash, but it looked so good that one of the Scares accidentally ate it! Can you help Curly Locks remake her menu by adding prices and drawing pictures of the food items?

### GITCHY BOO Menu



Batwing Brownies

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Cat Hair Cupcakes

\$ \_ \_ . \_ \_



Toad Eyed Toffees

\$ \_ \_ . \_ \_



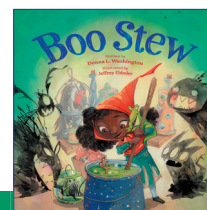
Lizard Skin Lasagna

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### LET CURLY LOCKS TAKE YOUR ORDER

Curly Locks wants to cook you something special! Can you write to her explaining what you want to eat? Fill in the blanks below!

Dear Curly Locks,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am \_\_\_\_\_  
years old. My favorite food is \_\_\_\_\_ .

I like it because \_\_\_\_\_ .

Could you make this for me please? Oh!

And please don't add any \_\_\_\_\_  
because that is my least favorite food.

Your spooky friend,

\_\_\_\_\_

