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## Be Careful What You Touch!

One wet dark day Alice and Tom decided to go to the abandoned science lab. They wandered up the muddy street annoyed at the weather. They stared across at the science lab. As they got closer and closer Tom got scared of the smoky grey lab with smashed windows. Then they saw a woman her eyes were wide open but her eyes were dull; it was like she was demented.

The children opened the creaky door and entered the dilapidated lab. Nothing was neat every thing smashed. The paraphernalia covered the floor. The children didn't go any further in case something was dangerous. Tom ran round the other side of the science lab and rammmed against the door; BANG! The door fell on all the rubbish. Tom stood up. He had had an idea. He ran back; BANG! He pushed the other door down. His plan was to step on one door and put the other door in front to step on next. This way they could look around the whole room without the danger of stepping on toxic chemicals or shards of broken glass.

As they went around the room they found something that looked like a little brown teddy bear. Tom looked at it and saw that its eyes were spirals. He reached down to pick it up and just as he touched it Alice screamed "No Tom! It could be dangerous." Tom's brilliant blue eyes grew wider but duller as he stared blankly ahead. "Tom, are you OK?" gasped Alice.

Tom stepped forward moving blankly towards Alice in a slow and steady pace that scared her. She closed her eyes in fear. She felt sure that the bear could hypnotise and that if she destroyed it then Tom would be free.

Alice started to dig into her pocket. She brought out a pair of woolly gloves and pulled the soft gloves onto her hands. She reached forward and grabbed a shard of spiky glass. She forced herself to open her eyes and threw the sharp glass. It fell like an arrow hitting the bear in the eye. "Aaahh" came a noise from the bear. Tom's eyes grew small and beautiful again and the sun came out from behind the clouds. There would be no more hypnotising!