**What to do today**

*IMPORTANT Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and any weblinks or use of internet.*

**1. Listen to both stories**

* Listen to each of the stories again:

The Night Shimmy  <https://youtu.be/h7ypmw-0JU0> and Silly Billy  <https://youtu.be/vHiW5ndFNQQ>

* What do you notice when you hear these stories for a second time?

**2. Compare the two stories**

* Think about what is the similar and what is different between the two stories.
* Complete *Comparison Questions*, writing in clear sentences.

**3. Describe your own magical toy or object**

* Eric has the parrot, Billy has worry-dolls. What magical toy or object would you have to protect you from bad dreams and worries?
* Describe your toy or object carefully and then draw an illustration to show how it protects against worries and bad dreams.

*Well done. Show your drawing and description to a grown-up. What do they do to help them with bad dreams and worries?*

**Try the Fun-Time Extra**

Imagine that Billy and Eric met each other. How would they tell each other their story? Write what they would say to one another.

**Comparison Questions**

How are the **starts** of each story similar? How are they different?

How are the **ends** of each story similar? How are they different?

In what ways are **Billy and Eric** similar? Write three things that are similar.

In what ways are they different? Write three things.

How are **Grandma and Marcia** similar? How are they different?

Which story do you **prefer**? Why?

**Your magical toy or object**

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Think of the magical toy or object that you would have to take away bad dreams and worries. Write a description of it, then draw an illustration showing how it takes away worries and bad dreams.