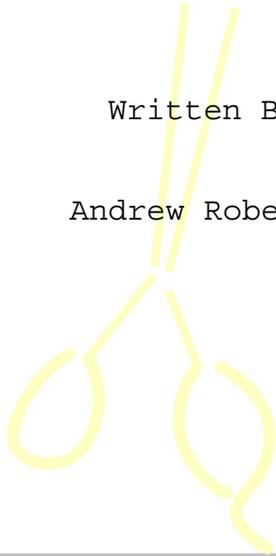


Sleep Tight

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FADE IN

INT. LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

An empty living room sits in the dark. There's pieces of furniture, a couple pictures on the wall, a lamp that's turned off, but the room is otherwise empty.

After a long moment, a flashlight beam flashes across the room. MARIA, a late-teens/early-20's girl, comes around the corner with a flashlight. She looks scared, and is looking for something. She walks slowly through the house and slowly turns while standing in a large open area. Behind her, a small figure stands wearing a red mask. Maria turns around and shines the light on the figure, startled.

The figure giggles.

ROSIE

Hi!!

Maria runs over to the figure and picks her up, laughing with her.

MARIA

I found you! I think I win!

The figure takes off the mask, revealing her as a young girl, ROSIE. Rosie has a huge grin on her face.

ROSIE

No, I found YOU! And then I scared you!

MARIA

Yes, yes I guess you did. So I guess you win tonight!

ROSIE

Yay!!

Maria carries Rosie up the stairs until they walk into

INT. ROSIE'S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Maria places Rosie in the bed and tucks her in.

ROSIE

Will we get to play tomorrow?

MARIA

Well, if you want to go Trick or Treating, we'll have to do that

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MARIA (CONT'D)

instead.

ROSIE

Okay, fine.

Rosie snuggles into her bed. Maria starts to walk out of the room.

MARIA

Goodnight Rosie.

ROSIE

Maria? Can you check to see if there's a monster under my bed.

Maria rolls her eyes and walks over to the bed, looking underneath it.

CUT TO:

P.O.V. UNDER BED - CONTINUOUS

A view of Maria poking her head under the bed. It has demonic vision and is hissing at Maria.

CUT TO:

INT. ROSIE'S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

MARIA

Yup. There is a monster under your bed.

ROSIE

Well, is there a monster in my closet?

Maria chuckles and walks over to the closet. She opens the doors and her hair is blown back, a loud ROAR is heard. She shuts the doors and walks back to the bed.

MARIA

Yes, Rosie. There is a monster in your closet.

ROSIE

Well, what about the monster on the ceiling?

Maria turns and looks up, seeing nothing. She's puzzled for a moment. She walks over to the bathroom door. It's closed and the light is on. She knocks on the door.

MARIA

Hey! Are you brushing your teeth in there?

There's a GURGLING and GROWLING sound coming from the other side of the door.

MARIA (CONT'D)

Well hurry up! You've been in there for five minutes and Rosie wants to go to bed!

Maria walks back over to Rosie.

MARIA

He'll be out in just a minute. He's brushing his teeth like a good little monster.

ROSIE

Okay then.

Maria leans forward and kisses Rosie on the forehead.

MARIA

Goodnight, Rosie.

ROSIE

Goodnight!

Maria walks toward the door.

MARIA

Goodnight, boys!

A chorus of GRUNTS respond.

Maria turns off the hall light and walks out of the room.

INT. HALLWAY - CONTINUOUS

Maria walks across the hallway and down the stairs.

CREDITS START ROLLING

MARIA (O.S.)

Hey, shadowman! It's time for bed!  
Get up there!

Suddenly a shadow figure moves up the stairs and flies into the bedroom.

CREDITS FINISH ROLLING

FADE TO BLACK.