

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK SCARY STORY

Fill in the blanks with the type of word listed in parentheses to create your own version of this excerpt from Home Sweet Horror, book one in the Scary Tales series. Read it out loud to see how different your story is from the one in the book

He sensed a _____ drifting through the basement.
NOUN

soundless and _____, moving toward him. He turned
ADJECTIVE

and _____ up the stairs, taking them two at a
VERB

time, landing heavily with each step. Crash, a board cracked, and Liam
VERB

_____, slamming his shin hard against the wood. He
grabbed the top step, catching himself before he fell. He wheezed, felt
dizzy, woozy. Liam's _____ leg dangled in the air, kicking
ADJECTIVE

at nothingness. He felt a thin, _____ grip around his
ADVERB

ankle. Like a claw pulling, dragging him down. Liam yanked his leg free,
lifted himself up, gasping for air, and _____ to the top
VERB

of the stairs. He crawled into the _____, into the light.
NOUN

He slammed the door shut behind him, twisted the lock, heart thundering.