

Kidnapped

Jessica woke up filled with excitement. She jumped out of her bed and ran downstairs, as she looked outside the window in her kitchen she could see that outside it was rainy and cloudy. She turned around to her mom standing in the kitchen making breakfast.

“Morning Jessica!” her mom said as Jessica came downstairs.

“Morning,” she groaned walking to the couch.

“What's wrong, Jessica?” her mom asked while she was stirring the pancake batter.

“How are we supposed to go to the haunted house today if it's raining outside?” she complained.

“Well, why don't you look at the news and see if it's supposed to clear up,” her mom said.

So Jessica turned on the news channel and she couldn't believe what she saw, Jessica gasped, her mom turn around and said,

“What's wrong Jessica?” her mom asked. Jessica was staring at the tv screen with her jaw dropped.

“Mom guess what” she stuttered.

“What?” her mom asked.

“A girl got kidnapped at the haunted house we're going to tonight! I have to call Mary,” she said with her face white.

She called her friend Mary, no answer. “That's weird, Mary always answers.” Jessica said worried.

“Oh don't be silly Jessica she's probably just busy.” her mom said. Jessica decided to just let it go and go make breakfast. She noticed that they were out of milk so she asked her mom if they could go to the store and get more. So they got in the car and drove to the grocery store. When Jessica and her mom went in Jessica couldn't believe it. There was Mary in the store shopping with Anna.

“Mom do you see that?”

“What honey?” her mom said as she picked up a gallon of milk.

“It's Mary, and she's with her new friend Anna.” Jessica said in a surprised voice. Jessica knew Anna from their old school, but she never really talked to her because she always hung out with the popular kids. She didn't exactly like Anna either. “Ever since Anna and Mary have been hanging out, when me and Mary hang out, Anna always tries to invite herself over,” Jessica said to her mom.

“It's fine Jessica. You're going to hangout with Mary later anyways,” her mom said.

“Yeah I guess so, now can we please leave before they see me,” Jessica said.

“Sure, lets go,” her mom said. When they got home Jessica proceeded to make her breakfast. After she was done she looked at the time and it was already 12:00, and her and Mary were going to the haunted house at 6:00. So she decided to watch TV until 4:00 and eventually she decided to get ready. When she got ready she called Mary. “Hello?” Mary answered the phone confused.

“Hey Mary, are you almost ready?” Jessica said.

“Yea but I totally forgot we were going to the haunted house today, so I invited Anna over. So do you think she could just come with us?” Mary said.

Jessica didnt know what to say. She was completely confused as to why Mary wanted to bring her friend over when it was supposed to just be Jessica and Mary. "Uhm, yea I guess she can come," Jessica said, trying not to sound mad. So Jessica and her mom got in the car and went to go pick up Anna and Mary.

When they were driving to the haunted house Jessica's mom passed a McDonalds and asked the girls, "Do you guys want to go to McDonalds?"

"Yeah!" the girls yelled. When they were ordering Anna ordered chicken nuggets and fries. For as long as Jessica can remember her and Mary would always get the same thing every time they went to McDonalds together.

"We will have the usual mom" Jessica said. Their usual was normally a double cheeseburger with large fries and a coke.

"Actually, I want chicken nuggets and fries too. Mary said

"What? I thought you hated the chicken nuggets from here?" Jessica asked Mary confused.

"Well they're actually not that bad." Mary said. Jessica just decided to ignore it. As they were getting closer to the haunted house they started to see signs about the haunted house like, "Come on in!", and "Scariest house in town!" and stuff like that. When they got out of the car they walked up to the stand where you order tickets to get in.

"Four please!" Jessica's mom said.

"No problem, \$26 please," the worker said. They walked in and there were a bunch of places to eat and stands with souvenirs. They walked around looking for the

entrance to the haunted house. When they finally found it they were super scared to walk in.

“Oh come on girls how scary could it be?” Jessica's mom said. The girls slowly started to walk in. So far nothing was scary, like nobody was popping out at them.

“This isn't so bad,” Mary said, and right as she said that, a big scary man with an axe popped out in front of them.

“AHHH!”, the girls screamed. About 15 minutes of them going through the haunted house, Mary and Anna were in the front, and Jessica was in the back alone because the space to walk through wasn't big enough for the three of them to walk through together. After a couple minutes of Anna and Mary screaming and laughing, they noticed that Jessica wasn't behind them anymore.

“Where did she go?” Mary asked Anna,

“I don't know, let's go back and look for her,” Anna shrieked. They walked backwards asking people if they've seen Jessica. Nobody had seen her. After 10 minutes of looking for her they ran out of the haunted house as fast as they could. When they got out they saw Jessica's mom sitting down on a bench near the exit.

“We were walking through the haunted house and we noticed Jessica wasn't behind us anymore, and we don't know where she went!” Mary said, very worried. Jessica's mom got up off the bench and ran to the security guard and told him that they could find Jessica, and started describing to him what she looked like. The security guard ran into the haunted house. He came out 30 minutes later and announced,

“I'm so sorry ma'am, but your daughter is missing,” he said.

Five years later and they still haven't found Jessica. Everyday on her birthday Jessica's mom just goes on like it's any other day because she doesn't want to remember what happened five years ago on that day.