## Trap door

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Trapdoor surprise

A **trap door** or **trapdoor** is a <u>door</u> in the <u>ground</u> or in a <u>floor</u>, that one enters vertically. Some can open when someone is standing on it. People typically put small doors disguised as something normal to <u>scare</u> a person falling into a trapdoor. They can be used for malicious purposes like <u>murder</u>. However, they can be used to hide things from other people.

Trap doors are popular in <u>mystery</u> themed <u>movies</u>. The victim who falls down the trap door often is met with danger or a hidden <u>treasure</u>. A standard <u>cliché</u> deals with the <u>victim</u> finding himself in an <u>alligator</u> filled <u>swamp</u> (most famously seen in <u>Scooby Doo</u> <u>cartoons</u>).

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