



Horror Tropes

Tag	Trope Name	Link	Quote from a Movie	Description
location	Abandoned Hospital	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AbandonedHospital	<i>"You are a young lady named Sara who is trapped in an abandoned hospital which is also an abandoned asylum which is also an abandoned prison and has to find a way out"</i> — Zero Punctuation reviewing a rather extreme example of this trope in Day Light	Abandoned haunted creepy scary hospital or mental institution, corpses nightmare, psychiatry
action	Abandoned Hospital Awakening	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AbandonedHospitalAwakening	<i>He ... then wakes up in an abandoned asylum. The world of video games probably has special "Sorry to hear you woke up in an abandoned asylum" greeting cards it happens so bloody often.</i> — Zero Punctuation reviewing Get Even	Hospital patient wakes up to an empty creepy abandoned hospital
location	Abandoned Playground	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AbandonedPlayground	<i>This used to be my playground This used to be my childhood dream This used to be the place I ran to Whenever I was in need of a friend Why did it have to end?</i> — Madonna , "This Used to be My Playground"	Abandoned haunted creepy scary playground, nightmare, disappeared childhood. Something is inherently spooky about a former play-place for children.
location	Abandoned Warehouse	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AbandonedWarehouse	<i>"Another secret society meeting in a warehouse. Do you think the owners charge them rent?"</i> — Varric, Dragon Age II	supernatural and creepy abandoned warehouse. building for storage that is scary and haunted.
Abstract, feeling	Adult Fear	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/Adult Fear	<i>"[When] you get past the age where you're capable of believing there's something carnivorous and hairy under the bed, you don't then lose your capacity for fear. The monsters go, and in their place, lucky you, you get to start imagining real calamities: losing your parents in a car wreck, becoming destitute, having someone you love turn on you, or doing something so shocking that the community ostracizes you."</i> — Alyx Dellamonica, Twilight vs. Flowers in the Attic: Sick Sex Smackdown, Eighties Style 	Things that adults are scared of, such as losing their job or being forced to watch their loved ones get endangered by a realistic threat they can't do anything about.
Abstract,	After the End	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AftertheEnd	<i>"...it was not, as some had predicted, the end</i>	aftermath of a

action		es.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AfterTheEnd	<i>of the world. Instead, the apocalypse was simply the prologue to another bloody chapter in human history.</i> — <i>Fallout 3</i> intro monologue	terrible natural disaster. Pandemic, climate change, the end of the world, Something hugely nasty has happened to humanity, humanity fighting to survive
action	Alien Abduction	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AlienAbduction	As we head toward the cars, a bright light shines down from above. Everyone freezes in panic for a moment, but then I realize I can't move. As the others scream and grab at me, I start to float up in the air, toward the saucer waiting overhead. I crane my head up and see an opening, with more of the little grey aliens crowded around it, holding an array of wicked and horrible-looking instruments. I wish I could say it's the last thing I ever see. — <i>The End of the World: Alien Invasion</i>	A human gets cped by extraterrestrial beings, often for creepy or sinister purposes (usually involving very invasive medical experiments), alien abduction
Character	Alien Tropes	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AlienTropes	"He was a candidate for a Midwestern congressional seat, and he hired me to manage his campaign advertising. Unfortunately, his opponent turned up something in his past with which we could not cope." "Let me guess: he was secretly a liberal." "Worse. An alien." "You're kidding?! An undocumented alien running for—" "No. A space alien, Ms. Walters." — <i>Sensational She-Hulk</i> #11, Jan. 1990	aliens
location	Alien Geometries	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AlienGeometries	another dude falls into a hole on the structure that is only there because the dude who built this shit was SUCH A SHITTY ARCHITECT that he BROKE GEOMETRY like all the veticals are horizontals and and the parallels are fucking and what the fuck is a cosecant? — <i>Boats: An Elder God's Only Weakness</i>  It's Bigger on the Inside! —Numerous <i>Doctor Who</i> companions	An area, being or object with impossible dimensions, aliens area
Action	All Webbed Up	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AllWebbedUp	Ignore the dangling ones, sweetling. The twitching silken cocoons. The muffled moans. Is that a smartphone, vibrating and glowing beneath the sticky strands? Their story is over. —The Buzzing, <i>The Secret World</i>	Someone is trapped in a giant (spider) web, ready to be devoured by whatever spun it
location	Amusement Park of	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php	The Joker: Well, it's garish, ugly, and derelicts have used it for a toilet. The rides are dilapidated to the point of being lethal, and	A dangerous amusement park

	Doom	p/Main/AmusementParkOfDoom	could easily maim or kill innocent little children. Estate Agent: Oh. So you don't like it? The Joker: Don't like it? I'm <i>crazy</i> for it. — Batman: The Killing Joke	where oblivious families and tourists visit at their own risk.
Abstract, character	Ancient Evil	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AncientEvil	<i>"Why have you disturbed our sleep; awakened us from our ancient slumber? You will die! Like the others before you, one by one, we will take you."</i> —A Deadite possessing Cheryl Williams, The Evil Dead (1981)	An evil force that is thousands of years old or even older, corpse, ancient mummy, pharaoh
abstract	Ancient Tomb	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/AncientTomb	<i>This choice is especially popular among vampires and mummies, although any form of pure evil should find that an ancient tomb makes an easily converted live-work space. The stone halls and Gothic decor will make you the envy of every angst-ridden teenager, and a coffin or mausoleum is usually available for your personal convenience. You can sleep until the foolish adventurers rouse you from your thousand-year slumber, and devour not just them but all mankind.</i> — How to Be a Villain, Neil Zawacki	Old tombs and crypts, invariably filled with The Undead .
action	Bear Trap	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/BearTrap	<i>"I'm so happy cause I'm a Gummy Bear! Gummy Bear!"</i> <i>(gets caught in a bear trap)</i> <i>"AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHHHHHH HHHHHHHHHH!!!!!!!"</i> — Gummy Bear  , Robot Chicken	A character is caught in a sharp trap activated by stepping on it.
action	Blood Bath	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/BloodBath	<i>"I think I'll take a bath in his blood."</i> — Mike Tyson	A character (often a vampire or sorcerer) bathes in blood.
action	Blood Magic	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/BloodMagic	<i>"Blood is sound, sound is words, and words are power!"</i> — Grimoire Weiss , NieR	Blood is used for occult purposes, blood magic
abstract	Brain Food	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/BrainFood	<i>"All we wanna do is eat your brains. We're not unreasonable, I mean, no-one's gonna eat your eyes."</i> — Jonathan Coulton , "Re: Your Brains"	A character eats brains, body parts eating
action	Buried Alive	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/BuriedAlive	<i>"The Earth is suffocating. Swear to cut me open, so that I will not be buried alive."</i> — Fryderyk Chopin	A live person, become corpses for real, buried alive

character	Creepy Child	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/CreepyChild	Marge: <i>[looking out the window to the front lawn]</i> There's something about flying a kite at night that's so <i>unwholesome</i> . Bart: <i>[turns head to the window. In monotone:]</i> Hello, mother dear. — <i>The Simpsons</i>	Creepy odd or disturbing child
character	Creepy Doll	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/CreepyDoll	<i>And there's a creepy doll That always follows you It's got a ruined eye That's always open</i> — Jonathan Coulton, "Creepy Doll"	Creepy spooky malevolent possessed doll

character	Creepy Family	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/CreepyFamily	N/A	Creepy sinister family
character	Creepy Housekeeper	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/CreepyHousekeeper	<i>I am Frau Blucher. [horses whinny] Your rooms are ready, Herr Doktor. If you will follow me, please.</i> — Frau Blucher, ^{note} <i>Young Frankenstein</i>	Creepy maid housekeeper
character	Evil Orphan	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/EvilOrphan	<i>"We are the Abandoned One, born but now to die. Our name is Orphan. By our hand, the world shall know redemption!"</i> — fal'Cie Orphan, <i>Final Fantasy XIII</i>	Evil sinister orphan
location	Ghost City	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/GhostCity	That charge has changed polarity. The desolation remains. Now I can see no one because no one is there. The roads are not thronging, and there are no street parties out there at all, <i>nor could there ever be again.</i> — <i>Looking For Jake</i>	Ghost city, empty town
location	Hell Hotel	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/HellHotel	<i>Hotel rooms are lonely. All the craziness that you avoid in the day-to-day business of life come to you in hotel rooms and eat your mind. The people they find dead in hotel rooms wouldn't have killed themselves at home. Hotel rooms don't care if you live or die.</i> — Foxglove, <i>Death: The Time of Your Life</i>	Scary creepy sinister hotel
Action, object	It Came From the Sink	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/It	N/A	It came from the sink, weird structures coming from faucet or drain

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character	Crazy Scientist	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/MadScientist	I'm not a quack, I'm a <i>mad scientist!</i> There's a difference. — Dr. Cockroach, Monsters vs. Aliens Captain Gantu: Place that <i>idiot</i> scientist under arrest!	Crazy scientist creates a dangerous creature, evil genius
Abstract, object	Mirror Monster	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/MirrorMonster	<i>"What if the mirrors are showing us something that's not real...?"</i> — Mirrors	Mirror monster, evil power in the mirror
abstract	The Most Dangerous Video Game	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/TheMostDangerousVideoGame	<i>"I hope you will relax and attempt to clear the game. But I want you to remember this clearly. There is no longer any method to revive someone within the game. If your HP drops to zero, your avatar will be forever lost. And simultaneously, the NerveGear will destroy your brain. There is only one means of escape: To complete the game."</i> — Kayaba Akihiko, Sword Art Online	Dangerous game that causes harm to those who play
abstract	Nightmare Sequence	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/NightmareSequence	<i>"I get up put on the light, dreading the oncoming night Scared to fall asleep and dream the dream again"</i> — Iron Maiden , "Dream of Mirrors"	Bad scary nightmare, evil force in the dream
action	Organ Theft	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/OrganTheft	<i>"There was this crazy albino guy with a hook, and he lived in a mirror! And if you even look at him, you'd wake up a bathtub full of ice with your kidneys gone!"</i> — Donkey, Scared Shrekless	Stealing or taking body parts or organs
action	Run or Die	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/RunOrDie	<i>"A little piece of advice. You see an Agent, you do what we do. You run. You run your ass off."</i> — Cypher, The Matrix	Run or die
character	Serial Killer	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/SerialKiller	<i>"We all go a little mad sometimes."</i> — Norman Bates, Psycho	Serial killer, psychopath that kills people
character	Wicked Witch	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/WickedWitch	<i>"Let all Oz be agreed / I'm wicked through and through Since I can not succeed / Fiyero, saving you I promise no good deed / Will I attempt to do again / Ever again"</i> — Elphaba, Wicked	Wicked evil scary witch

location	Haunted House	https://tvtropes.org/pmwiki/pmwiki.php/Main/HauntedHouse	<i>"It was an evil house from the beginning — a house that was born bad."</i> — Dr. John Markway, The Haunting (1963)	A spooky house that contains evil spirits