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### The Old House

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#### Chapter 1: The Old House

The twins (Lucy and Sofia) had to go to their grandmother's house while their parent are away. Inside their grandmother's house, it was cold, damp and smelt like the gutter. Anyone who stepped in there would taste danger through their body. There were many horror holes that could lead you to a place you couldn't come back from. God knows what this house went through.

"What should we do? asked Lucy with a polite voice.

"I don't know," replied Sofia quite frustrated by the sound of it. She never liked being left alone without any of her parents with her.

"We should ask Gran, it's her house, Sofia considered.

Grandmother seemed like she didn't want to be disturbed but Sofia asked anyway. "Gran, what can we do?" asked Sofia. "Go outside, children need more fresh air these days," answered Gran. Sofia and Lucy ran outside and guess what they saw...



### Chapter 2: The Garden

In the garden, the grass was a lush emerald green. Flowers included daisies, lavender and roses. The outside looked much better than the inside. The grass was neatly cut, and the flowers were blooming. The two kids went to sit on a lumpatious log.

"What should we do then?" asked Lucy, looking puzzled. "Obviously, we should explore. Look! There's a shed and it's broken to bits. Let's go there!" exclaimed Sofia.



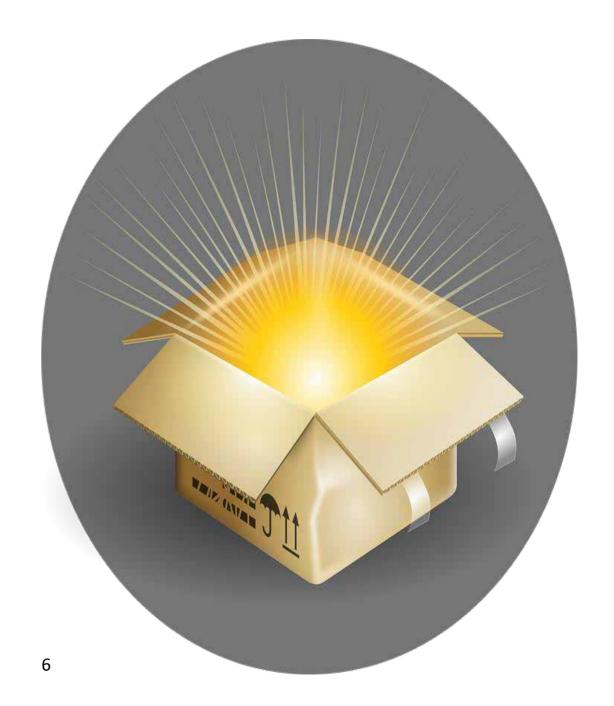
Inside the shed, there were broken bits of wood and a few mattresses. Under the mattresses, a box shone with gleaming glory. The light was shining with blues and purples. "Should we go in?" enquired Sofia.

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## Chapter 3: The New Land

"Please, Lucy, please can we go in?" pleaded Sofia.

"NO!" exclaimed Lucy. "What is it anyway?" In the blink of an eye, Sofia pushed Lucy in. After that, she went in herself.



They were now at a sunny beach in America. There, standing in front of them was a normal man, by some normal people, with some normal stuff. If you read the last sentence again, it sounds anything but normal.



"Are you going to capture us?" the two children said.

"Of course not, I'm just a normal man," declared the man. The children learned that from their history lessons, a sparkling diamond could get you home from anywhere if you touched one. They saw a sparkling diamond and they tried to snatch it. Instantly, the man arrested them and put them in his boss's prison.

### Chapter 4: Escape

"We need to escape!" exclaimed Sofia.

"I'll ask a guard, even though they will probably not tell us," considered Lucy. "Hello, how can we escape? asked Lucy politely.

"Shh! Keep your voice down, you can't let anyone know that I was helping you," whispered the man. "There is a button behind you, press it and go down, then, turn left and put in the code, 5-4-1, then get the diamond and go home!"

The two children followed his instructions and pressed the button. They entered the code, but they were caught by the boss of the prison and were to be whipped and beaten with blood dripping down their entire bodies. They tried to escape again and they were caught. Did the same thing and they were caught again! Lucy and Sofia learned that they needed to do it in daylight. They practiced and did the same thing but

faster. They got the diamond, touched the sparkling part and finally, were sent home.



### Chapter 5: Back Home

The children looked at the box that they had gone through and it was back to normal! They told Gran all about it and guess what? As usual, she didn't believe them at all.

"B-b-but, there was was a p-p-p-portal," cried the children in desperate for Gran to have a speck of belief in their "interesting" tale.

"SNAP OUT OF IT!" exclaimed Gran, ranting on and on about children these days, with big imaginations.

What's next for Sofia and Lucy?





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Lucy and Sofia go to Gran's house. They find a box with a light coming out of it. They go inside and find themselves in another world. While they are there, they are captured by a normal man — who turns out not to be so normal after all.

Will they live to tell the tale?...

