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# The Widow's Broom

**Directions:** Read the passage below from Chris Van Allsburg's *The Widow's Broom*. Determine where punctuation (including commas, apostrophes, periods, etc. ) should be, and add them. Be sure to make necessary edits to capitalization where necessary.

Not a week passed before the widows neighbors the Spiveys found out about the broom their farm was just down the road the only other place around it was one of the eight Spivey children who saw the broom first when the boy told his father Mr Spivey ran straight across the road to the widows house is it true he demanded did she really have such a broom

Oh yes Minna Shaw answered its wonderful she told her neighbor all about the broom and the witch whod left it behind then she took him around to the back of the house where the broom was hard at work splitting wood

Mr Spivey was horrified this is a wicked wicked thing he said this is the devil the broom stopped working and still clutching the ace hopped toward the widow and her neighbor Mr Spivey red-faced with anger turned quickly and hurried home