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The Widow's Broom

Directions: Compare the relationship between Minna Shaw and the broom, and Mr. Spivey and the broom. Write specific examples that include: What they say, what they do, how they feel, etc.

Minna Shaw

"At first [she] was frightened, the broom seemed harmless... and it was doing a very good job."

"Minna felt guilty" for looking the broom and "let it out."

"Found out that it was a very good student. She needed to show it how to do something only once."

"It's wonderful!"

"The broom seemed as innocent and hardworking as ever."

"Smiled at the broom, not a ghost at all, but still covered with the coat of white paint she'd given it."

"You play so nicely....[and] the broom bowed."

Mr. Spivey

"This is a wicked, wicked thing."

"This is the devil."

"The broom stopped working, and, still clutching the axe."

"Mr. Spivey, red-faced with anger."

"It's evil and dangerous."

"We'll all be sorry if this thing, stays among us."

"Long wooden stake and coils of rope."

"We've come for the broom."

"Mr. Spivey lit the fire."

"Packed their dearest possessions and eight children."

