**Everyday Horror Story**

**Your Story Idea**

Stephen King talks about standing at the edge of a small pond. He imagines “some dreadful, hulking thing rising out of the still waters to carry off sheep . . . and horses . . . and finally people.” He takes a very ordinary, everyday situation and lets it unravel into a story with suspense and horror.

In your writing notebook, describe a few everyday situations you experience and explain how each of them could unravel into a horror story. (The unravelling is the problem or conflict or complication of the story.) Circle the one you like best, and use it as the foundation for your own everyday horror story.