

Took by Mary Downing Hahn. Clarion Books, 2015 264 pp.

Mary Downing Hahn says that you should ask 'what if' when thinking about writing and you should use your five senses when writing about something.

#### Questions for Comprehension

Who got "took" in the end in this book? (Auntie and Bloody Bones)

Why did Erika/Girl say she threw the rocks at Bloody Bones that caused him to be destroyed? (He was going to hurt 'that boy.' Who was that boy? Her brother, Daniel, but she didn't know it while she was under Auntie's spell.)

How was the spell broken? (3 riddles to get inside the cabin door at exactly midnight. Then the doll was magicked by Miss Perkins into a full size 'person,' who worked so wildly she burned the house down. Sunrise finally broke the spell in Selene's and Erica's minds.)

Why are the characters careful not to touch what is left of Little Erica? (Answers vary.)

#### Further Activities for Took~

Do you think there will be a sequel about the doll getting loose again? Make a list of the kinds of trouble she would/could cause in the future.

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Make a list of things that scared you in the story. Be specific and give page numbers.

Took Doll- write and draw and label the before/after Little Erika. Make sure you show and tell what happened to her by the things you include. Be true to the book in what you show. (Attached)

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Complete a crosswords puzzle about Took. (Attached)

Complete a 4 square 'house' character map, giving story details about each character. (Attached)