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## Bluebeard

Once upon a time in a distant land, there lived a wealthy and mysterious man named Bluebeard. His dark beard earned him his name, and his eerie reputation was known far and wide. Bluebeard had already been married several times, but no one knew what had become of his wives. Rumors swirled, and the townsfolk whispered that he was a sinister and dangerous man.

One day, Bluebeard decided to marry again. He chose a beautiful young woman named Marie to be his bride. Marie was unaware of the dreadful stories surrounding Bluebeard, and she agreed to marry him. They lived in his grand mansion, which was filled with opulent treasures and forbidden rooms.

Before he left for a journey, Bluebeard handed Marie a set of keys to all the rooms in the mansion but warned her never to enter one particular room at the end of the hallway. He emphasized that this room was off-limits, and he would not tolerate any disobedience.

Marie was curious by nature, and the forbidden room gnawed at her thoughts. Eventually, her curiosity got the better of her, and she decided to use the key to enter the room. Inside, she discovered a horrifying sight—a room filled with the lifeless bodies of Bluebeard's previous wives, all hanging from hooks on the walls.

Terrified, Marie dropped the key in her haste to escape the room. She hurriedly locked the door and tried to hide the key. Bluebeard returned earlier than expected and demanded the keys back. When he noticed that the key to the forbidden room was missing, he grew furious.

Marie's sisters arrived just in time to rescue her from Bluebeard's wrath. They called for help, and the authorities arrived to apprehend Bluebeard. He was taken away and never seen again.

Marie inherited Bluebeard's wealth and used it to provide for her sisters and ensure a happy life. The story of Bluebeard served as a warning about the dangers of curiosity and the importance of trust in a marriage.