

The Things Kids Say

One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm¹⁾ a mother was tucking her small boy into bed. She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor²⁾ in his voice, "Mommy, will you sleep with me tonight?" The mother smiled and gave him a reassuring³⁾ hug. "I can't, dear." She said. "I have to sleep in Daddy's room. "Along silence was broken at last by his shaky little voice: "The big sissy⁴⁾."

童言无忌

一个夏季的晚上,雷雨大作,母亲让小男孩上床钻进被窝。她正准备熄灯,孩子声音颤抖地问:"妈咪,你今晚可以陪我睡吗?"母亲笑着,拥抱一下小孩安慰说,"亲爱的,不可以。我得睡在爸爸的房间。"一阵长长的沉默之后,男孩小声地用颤音说:"大胆小鬼。"

NOTE 注释:

thunderstorm [ˈθʌndəstɔːm] n. [气]雷暴 tremor [ˈtremə] n. 震动, 颤动 reassuring [ˌriːəˈʃ υərɪŋ] adj. 安心的, 可靠的 4. sissy [ˈsisi] n. 胆小鬼