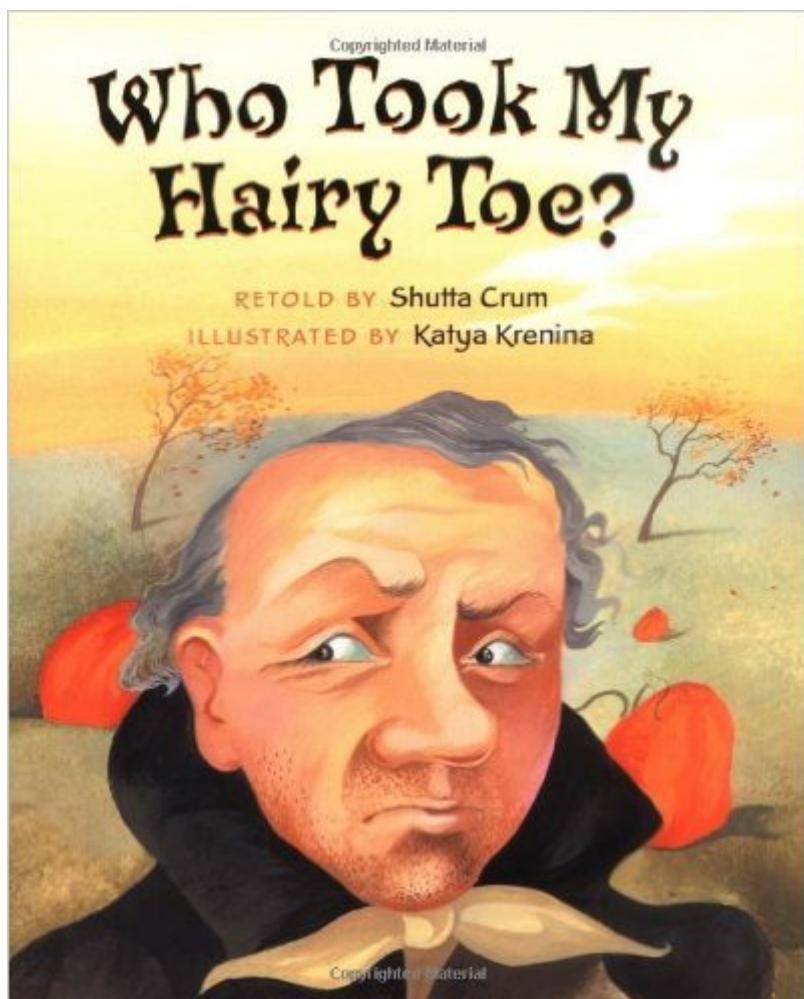


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# Who Took My Hairy Toe?



## **Synopsis**

Old Tar Pockets was a greedy old man, always taking things that weren't his. One Halloween, while digging for sweet potatoes in his neighbor's garden, he dug up a huge hairy toe! "Finders, keepers!" he said to himself as he stuffed the toe into his pocket. But also in his pocket was a glob of tar he had stolen, and soon the toe was stuck to the tar and his hand was stuck to the toe! And then that night something big and scary came in search of its missing toe. "Who took my hairy toe?" the creature's voice kept calling, growing louder and louder, closer and closer...

## **Book Information**

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Any parent, teacher, librarian, or storyteller can use Crum's delightfully scary story and hold children in K-Gr 3 and up spellbound. A folk tale with a spooky character, a halloween-like setting, and a what-will-happen-next? situation has youngsters' rapt attention. Of course, the story must be read aloud with the appropriate animation. Crum, a dedicated storyteller and children's librarian, fashions a new tale from one she probably heard first as a child. In the tradition of spinning yarns, Crum -with Krenina's sparkling illustrations - breathes life into Old Tar Pockets a fascinating character who swipes a monster's hairy toe. I've heard the spontaneous reactions of children 2-5; this tale draws them in and they remember it. Buy it, give it as a gift, but most important share it by reading it to youngsters, and they, in turn, will pass it along to friends. Crum is a talented writer with more children's books in production. I look forward to her next story.

Greedy old Tarpockets tries to steal his neighbor's sweet potatoes, but digs up a hairy toe in the process! Because he's a greedy ol' cuss, he keeps it, of course. That night, the toe's owner comes a lookin'..."Who..took...my...hairy...toe?"Kids will love this mildly spooky, just right for storytime book, written by newcomer, Shutta Crum. She deftly uses a storytellers voice to creat this original version of an old Appalachian tale. Katya Krenina's vivedly eerie artwork is the perfect accompaniment to this haunting Halloween tale...Woooooo.

This time of year features some of the best read-alouds. I got this one used. It came in an appropriate amount of time, but it was pretty battered! I don't mind too much, though, I bought this for my school library and for me to read to my students. It works for me either way! I love the setting for this book in the Appalachian Mountains. I love the message of keeping your hands to yourself and I love its occurring during this time of year. A must-read for all elementary students!

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