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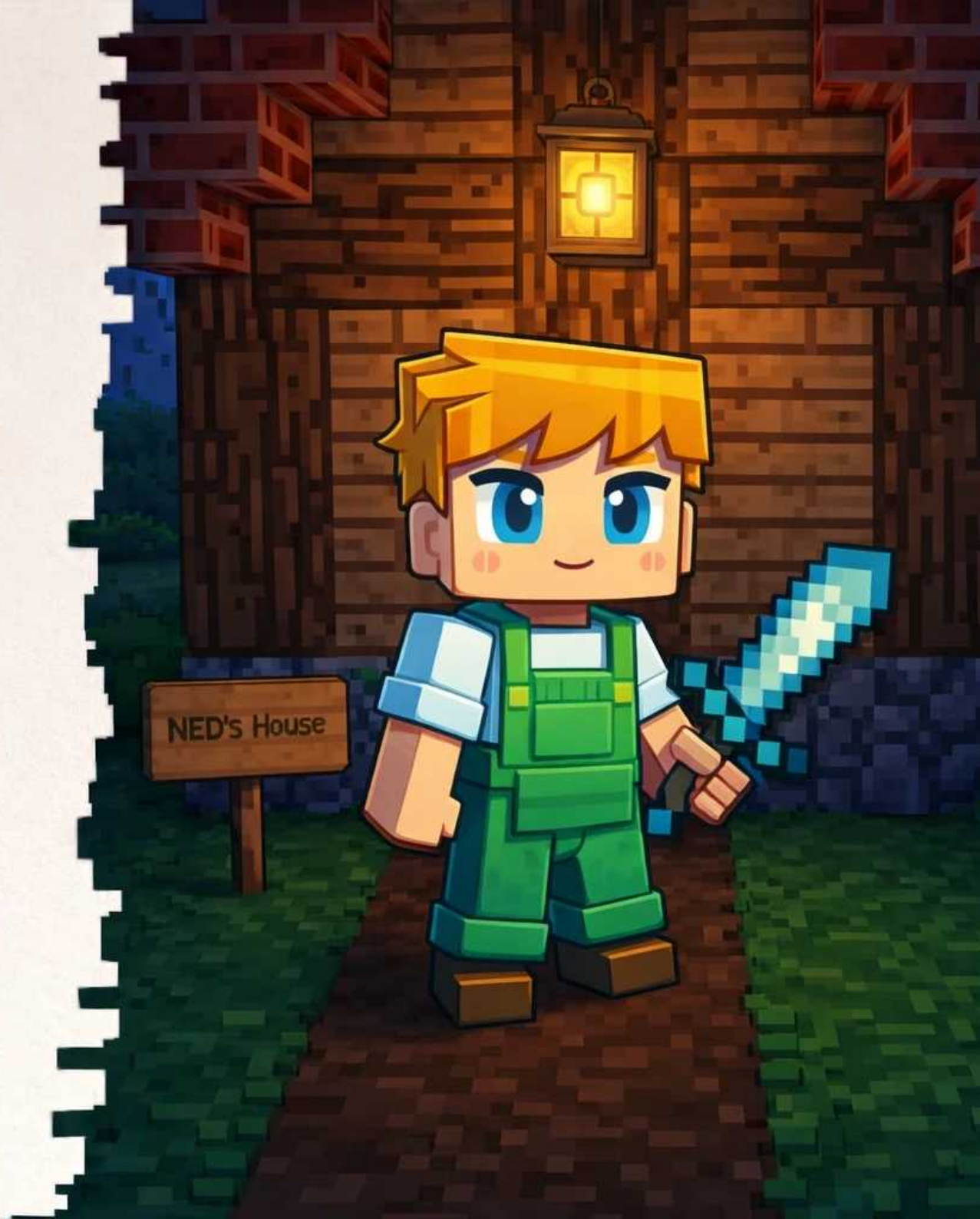
# Not Tonight, Monsters!



This is Ned. He used  
to hide in his house  
at night.

But now, he does  
not have to. He has  
a sword.

He stands outside  
and watches.





Ned does not have to wait long.

Soon, a zombie crashes out of the bushes and starts to come close.

Ned is a bit scared, but he holds his sword tight.

When the zombie  
gets too close, Ned  
swings the sword!

Hack! Slash! Ned  
smashes him!

The zombie is no  
more!





The zombie leaves  
behind something  
odd.

Ned watches it,  
then picks it up.

'What is this?' he  
asks.

Then Ned hears a click. A thing of bones steps out from the trees, and it has a bow! It tries to shoot at Ned, but just misses. Ned dashes off to find a spot to hide.





Ned crouches behind the tree and holds his breath. The monster searches near the house, clicking as it turns. Ned holds his sword tight, and his heart thumps. Then the clicking gets closer, right on the other side of the tree.

Ned dashes out from behind the tree. He swings his big sword with all his might.

The bones crash and fall in a pile on the grass! Now there is no monster left to fight.





Ned is a bit proud.

'I got a bone! Soon  
I will have a lot of  
these!'

Uh oh. Ned does  
not see what is just  
inches behind him.

Ned is brave, but not  
that brave.

He can't fight so  
many at the same  
time!

Sometimes you just  
have to run. Ned  
dashes away!





Ned rushes all the way back to his house.

But there is something in front of the door.

Oh no! It's a spider!

There is no time to think. Ned dashes at the spider and grips his bright sword. He swings it up high as the spider hisses and lashes back with sharp fangs.





Ned leans on the wall as the torches flicker. Outside, he hears the monsters rushing away into the night. A tiny gold gem shines on the floor. Ned catches it and grins. 'Same time next night, monsters.'



## Not Tonight, Monsters!

Ned used to hide under his blankets when the monsters came out at night. But not tonight! Tonight, Ned has a shiny sword, a brave heart, and a plan to stand his ground. Can one small farmer really take on a zombie, a sneaky skeleton, and a giant spider all by himself? What will he find waiting when the shadows grow long? This decodable reader practices es plurals in words like 'crashes,' 'crouches,' 'dashes,' 'hisses,' and 'flashes.'

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