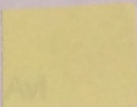


The secret hotel basement. By: 

Me and my friend cearan went on a vacation to the ballantyne hotel. I was so excited when we got there. The first thing we planned to do was go swimming.

-My mom told us to take there elevator and she'll meet us down there, so me and cearan stepped into the elevator and hit the "level pool" button. When the doors closed the whole elevator began to shake. "What's going on" cearan asked as we were thrown around the elevator like cars in a earthquake. Soon after that we heard a rip and we went plummeting down into the abis. The lights went out. Then came the big CRASH. We stepped out of the broken elevator amazed that we were alive. But even a miracle like that wouldn't stop us from freaking out. After a while we decided to look around and try to find a way out. Every room in the place was filled to the brim with cobwebs and spiders.

After a while we came to a dirty room with a recording tape in it, and like all stressed young boys we eagerly turned it on. "The ballantyne hotel was a masterpiece to be proud of. It has absolutely everything, from its secret passages to its to futuristik design. This (loved by all) masterpiece even had a secret room located on level 103. Since this part was built first we had to make it wonderful. It was given the name "security room." In it contained: cameras, walky talkys, bulletproof suits, you name it. However during its construction the room was bombed by unknown figures, who, to this day has not been found. We then decided to build the rest of the hotel on top of it and make all the remains be forgotten forever." when the recording ended we turned to one another. We were both thinking the same thing. LET'S FIND A WALKIE TALKIE AND CALL FOR HELP.

After 5 minutes of searching we came across a broken walky talky-. It was broken but not badly. It was missing 4 parts: its speaker, its antenna, its recording button and its connection whire. It didn't seem to badly damaged which means if we found the parts it would be easy to put back together. It didn't take long before we found the speaker. It was in one of the old coats. We decided to split up to make it easier. As i walked down the hall the floor started to split under me. I ran back down the hall until i was safe. Behind me the floor broke and the old tiles fell into a pool of brown water. The room i ran into just happen to have the second piece for the walky-talky. The antenna. At that exact moment cearan ran into the room holding the recording button and saying "I found it i found the recording button!"

With only one peace remaining we looked as hard as we could. However "I" was not looking where i was going and accidently knocked over a can on gasoline which set the room on fire- , and almost us! We got away safely. We checked each and every room carefully until we got to a room with the connection while on the table. With all four pieces we quickly ran to the room with the walky-talky in it and put it back together. Cearan seemed to enjoy this and i knew why. He always wanted to be a mechanic. When the walky-talky was repaired we sent out a distress signal -and soon enough a fireman and a police man made there way down here and helped us back up. When we got to the top and found my mom..... And i'll just say this.... I had never seen her so happy.