

Ed and Art were brothers. They were close in age. Ed was twelve and Art was ten. They liked to play together. They also liked to get into trouble.

Their family had a cleaning lady. The cleaning lady came twice a week. Her name was Katy and she did not like Ed and Art. The boys played mean tricks on Katy. They liked to hide her purse so that she would be late for her ride home. They also liked to hide her glasses. Katy got very angry but the boys still hid her things.

Ed and Art also liked to play mean tricks on their older sister. Her name was Bebe. Bebe had a boyfriend named Bob. She liked to write poems about love. One night Ed and Art stole a poem from Bebe's room and Bebe chased them all around the house. She yelled for them to give it back to her but the boys laughed and laughed. They let Bebe get close and waved the poem at her. Then they ran around her in a circle. She was so mad!

Then their father came home. He told Ed and Art to give the poem back to Bebe. "Give it back to her," he said. "Do not take things from someone else's room."

Ed and Art kept teasing their sister and the cleaning lady. They got spankings almost every day. They were such bad boys.

One day Ed said they should play in the garage. "No, we cannot. We will get into trouble. Dad said we are not allowed to play in the garage. He is afraid that we will hurt ourselves."

"You are just being a scaredy cat," said Ed. "There is nothing to be afraid of, I promise you, Art."

The two boys went inside the garage. There were tools on the shelves. Then they climbed up onto the roof where they could see

down the street. Ed felt the roof give in. He and Art fell through the roof and onto the floor. Everyone ran into the garage to see what had happened.

"We are not hurt," said Ed with a big grin on his face. "Well, you will be hurting after I give you a spanking," said their mom. The two boys just looked at each other. It had been fun.

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