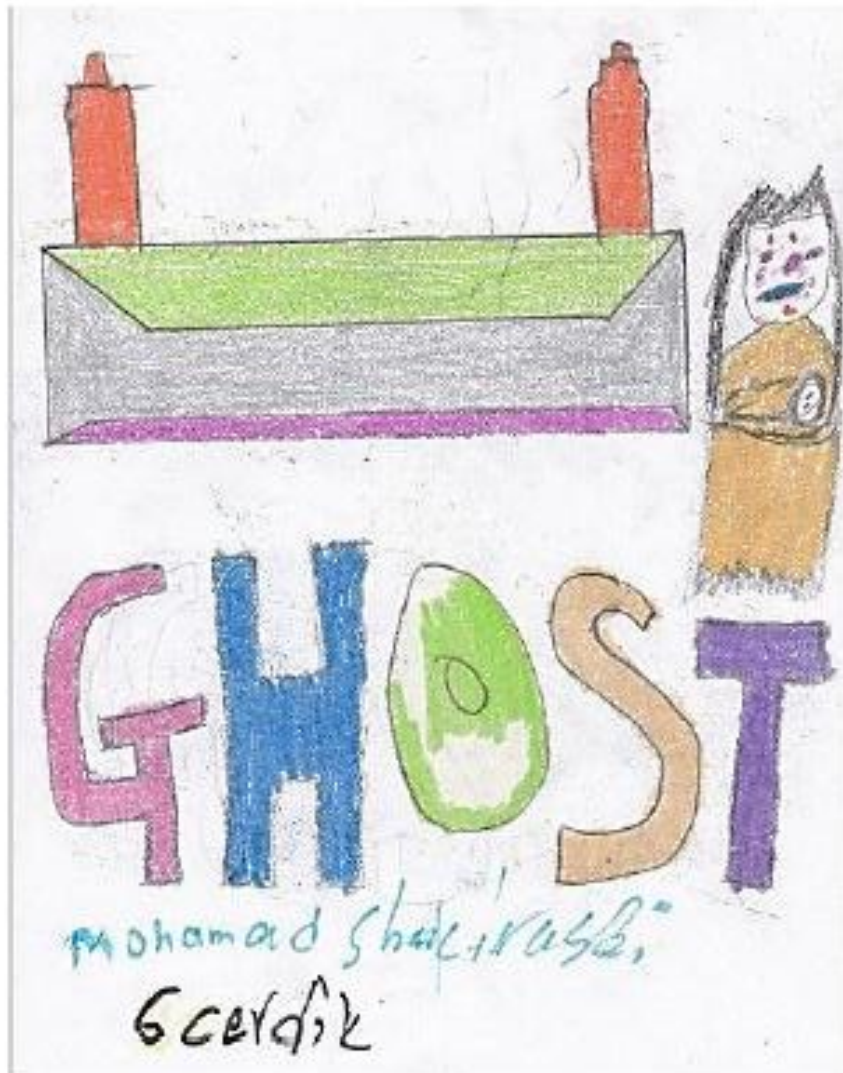




Shakir's Joke

Shakir is a funny boy. He likes to laugh, and he likes to have fun, and he likes jokes. But when he saw a ghost, he didn't think it was funny.





He tried to tell his friends, and he tried to explain about the ghost. But everyone thought that he was joking, as usual.



The ghost never came back, and bit by bit he began to think it was just a joke and not real at all. Soon he wasn't scared any more.

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