

# CRIME SCENE'S Evidence

- ✓ A spare key of the lock was found in a box in the very messy attic of Ms. Harman house
- ✓ DNA of Hansel and Gretel were found at the candy fence.
- ✓ DNA of Gretel was found on the marmite.
- ✓ Onions and carrots chopped on a cutting board
- ✓ A window was broken.
- ✓ A personal journal of Ms. Harman was found hidden on her pillow. Some information was shockingly disturbing.
- ✓ Memo from Hansel and Gretel's parents mentioning they went to work in another city and they loved them.

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## GRETEL'S STATEMENT

"On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, I was with Hansel and we were walking in the forest trying to figure out what to do. I could not stop crying but Hansel told me to stop right away. I must say I thought it was rude and insensitive. Our parents abandoned us. I was allowed to cry. But he categorically refused that I did, so I stopped. I was tired of Hansel telling me what to do. Next time, I would just ignore him. With all this crying, I started to be hungry. At that moment, we saw what seemed to be the coolest house ever. I ran towards it and started eating parts of it. The owner of the house came out. I thought she seemed nice. She welcomed us on her property and invited us in for some more candies. We accepted. Hansel ran in the house and I followed him. Hansel asked immediately for candies as she had promised us for some. I agreed with him. She denied us at first but then asked Hansel and I to help around the house in exchanged of food. I didn't mind so I agreed. I went in the attic to organize boxes. Hansel didn't seem to want to help. I just ignored his laziness and started working. After 15 minutes or so, I heard Ms. Harman screamed for help. I went downstairs and saw Hansel locked in the geese cage. Ms. Harman said it was an accident so I believed her. She looked so panicked. I worked for a few days and fed Hansel until Ms. Harman unlocked Hansel. He came in the house and pushed Ms. Harman in the marmite. I was shocked to see him do that. He grabbed me and we ran away. He explained the whole situation about how Ms. Harman lied to me. I was and still am angry with her for trying to eat us."

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## HAZEL HARMAN'S STATEMENT

"I had just moved to this new house a week ago when I met Hansel and Gretel. I was quite happy with this house as it was in the forest where I could start my own garden and build my own farm. My property was huge so it was perfect. This only downside was the fact that the house was made of candies. I thought to myself who in their right mind would actually choose candies over bricks and concrete... Well, little did I know it put me in this awful situation today. You must know that my doctor, Mr. Fix had suggested me to go to this house to enjoy nature and find new hobbies. I never chose this house. But as I said before I had a dream of growing my own garden and having a farm so he suggested this particular house for rent. I immediately jumped on the occasion and responded, "why not give it a try?". On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, two young siblings vagabonded around my property. I was busy cooking cakes so I didn't pay much more attention. Then, I heard some noises closer to the house. That's when I saw Hansel and Gretel eating parts of my house. I remained calm at first because I knew they were just kids. I asked them what they were doing and they replied they were starving and had been abandoned by their parents. I felt sadness for them and so I invited them in. They kindly accepted.

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## HAZEL HARMAN'S STATEMENT (SUITE)

Right after that, Hansel became a little brat. As soon as he entered my house, he started asking for food, drinks and other things. I told him that if he wanted to eat or drink, he would need to help me with my geese outside the house. He didn't seem to be willing to help me but I insisted that it was politeness to help someone. He accepted with aversion. He came near the geese to feed them. I had told him to be careful with the cage and not to leave it open. And of course, he left it open. All the geese started flying everywhere."

Panicked, I ran to the cage and closed it. That's when a goose flew off and took the key with it. Hansel was stuck in the cage. He yelled and screamed and demanded to be freed. Gretel and I tried to open the cage but we didn't have the right tool. Hansel threatened his sister and I to find a solution now. Therefore, I decided to try to build the tool to save Hansel. It was a very complex lock so I had to work endlessly to make it work. Meanwhile, Gretel had no choice but to help me around the house. So she cooked and cleaned. After a few days, I managed to find a solution so I released Hansel from the cage. We all came back in the house. That's when THEY pushed me in a marmite and tried to kill me. They are the ones who should be on this side of table. I never wanted to do anything to them. Hansel was always aggressive towards me. They trespass my property."

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## HANSEL'S STATEMENT

"On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, I was with Gretel. I was quite upset by the fact that our parents had abandoned us. I could not believe how cruel they were. Gretel and I were only 11 years old at that moment. We didn't know how to take care of ourselves. We were desperate to find food that day. That's when heaven sent us on that path which led us to Ms. Harman's house, the most fabulous, tastiest house of them all. It was made out of candies. Candies were everywhere. So like all average kids we devoured parts of the house. That's when Ms. Harman came out to greet us. At first, she was a little creepy as she just observed us but then decided to say, "hi". She offered us to come in and we both quickly accepted. I was starving so I asked for food right away. She kept refusing so I asked again and again and again. She finally accepted in exchange for chores. I told her I wasn't her slave but she told me it was the only way to get food. I had no choice but to follow her orders. She explained to me how to feed the geese. I didn't really listen because I mean how hard can it be? I opened the cage and entered.

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## HANSEL'S STATEMENT (SUITE)

That's when Hazel Harman locked me up in that cage. She laughed. That's what she wanted all along... to trap me in. She, then, called my sister and pretended like it was an accident. I tried to convince my sister otherwise but she wouldn't believe Hazel to be mean. Plus, I think she decided not to listen to me anymore. I think she was mad at me for being a little rude to her that day. She forced Gretel to do chores for several days while Hazel was in her secret office to plan our death. After a few days, she freed me and forced me to come in the house. She had a marmite ready for me. She was going to eat me I was sure of it. She is a crazy person. To save my own life, I pushed her in the marmite. That distraction allowed us to leave the house and run back home. We explained everything to our parents. They wanted us to press charges against Hazel Harman for her cruelty towards children."

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## DR. FIX'S STATEMENT

Ms. Harman was diagnosed with brain damage. This damage affects her logical parts of her brain. Therefore, she sometimes has mental breakdown and does crazy things. She can become aggressive and hallucinate. She can also want to kill people. Sadly, she can forget all about those breakdowns. There are consequences of her brain damage. She has some serious health issues so that's why the team of doctors chose to put her in that forest thinking no one lived in that area. We were shocked to learn Hansel and Gretel lived a few kilometers away. We would have never chosen this place knowing they were young children in the neighbourhood. They never reported the family lived there to the government. They tried to hide their family and not pay taxes. From my understanding, this family struggle with money issues and would do anything to save.

Ms. Harman was followed weekly by myself to make sure that her mental state was ok. She never mentioned to me the Hansel and Gretel's situation. I believed she wanted to hide the situation from me. Ms. Harman is now followed daily and is in a mental institute until we can decide on the verdict."

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## ROSE'S STATEMENT (HANSEL AND GRETEL'S MOM)

"We had no choice but to abandon our kids even if this broke my heart. Staying with us meant that they were going to die in the next few weeks. We were not able to feed them. I could not let my kids die. I decided to travel around the cities and find a job. I told my kids I was going to come back with tons of money not to worry but I had to go for a while. I told them to find shelter with their aunts around the city and come back in a few weeks. They said they were never able to reach the house of their aunt. We know it was not the cleverest idea to let our kids go, but we didn't know what else to do. Nonetheless, my husband and I came back after a few weeks with money to feed our kids for months and months. That's when they told us about this crazy witch who tried to eat them. I urged them to press charges against this Hazel Harman."



# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## JOE'S STATEMENT (HANSEL AND GRETEL'S DAD)

"I'm sure that my wife as already told you about this but oh well, I guess I'll just repeat myself. We didn't want to abandon our children. We had told them that we would come back as soon as we had enough money to feed them for a while. But of course, kids hear what they want and they thought it was forever. They told us they knew where their aunt lived. They lied to us. They didn't know where she lived.

Sometimes Hansel and Gretel give me the biggest headache ever. How can they think we would abandon them. Yes, okay, we did abandon them but it was only temporary and we mentioned it time after time, "do you know where your aunt lives?" They would always say yes. That's the reason we left the house. We felt like they knew where to go. They shouldn't have lied to us. They were quite angry and sad at us. Nonetheless, we came back a few weeks later only to find them traumatized. We had to do something about it because we love our children. So we decided to press charges against Hazel Harman."

# Witnesses' TESTIMONIES

## MR. GOOSE 'S STATEMENT (BIRD)

"On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, I was in my cage minding my business. Waited to be fed. I saw a strange boy coming in the cage. I was a little nervous because it was someone I had never met before. You know me, I am a nervous bird. I hate when my routine changes. I decided to hide myself at the corner of the cage to make sure I would be safe. This boy seemed to be angry and would do whatever he wanted. Hansel suddenly tripped on the step of the cage and dropped all the food on the floor. I got super excited since I was starving. I ran to the food. I had eyes only on the food. FOOD. I love food!! I ate and ate and ate without even hearing a word of what was happening. At that moment, some altercation happened between Hansel and Ms. Harman. That's when I zoned back to real life. I saw Hansel and Ms. Harman. I heard Ms. Harman laughed. She had an evil laugh as if she had done something. But like I said I didn't see much until that moment. Hansel could have locked himself up as well when he dropped the food. Anything is possible."