Are you a fan of the horror novel and want to write your own but are struggling to come up with a plot idea? Below you will find 25 horror novel plot ideas that can help to set off that creative spark and get your ideas flowing.

1. A ghost story where the protagonist has to solve a mystery to get the ghost to leave

2. A ghost story where the ghost is bitter about being dead and wants to make the resident’s life hell

3. A ghost story where the ghost wants to possess the person in the house and take over their lives

4. A slasher horror where the people are trapped somewhere with the killer

5. A “whodunit” style slasher horror where the people being targeted try to figure out who is killing them and why

6. A story about a Demon possessing someone

7. A story about a Demon possessing an object

8. A story where the ghosts of the past come back to haunt the present day characters

9. A story of a Ouija board gone wrong
10 A story about a psychic medium who gets pulled into the other world

11 A story about an exorcist where an expelled Demon comes back to haunt him

12 A story about an occult ritual gone wrong

13 A story about a Satanic cult

14 A psychological horror story where a character is driven mad by another character

15 A psychological horror story where everyone believes a character is mad even though they aren’t

16 A disaster based story

17 A zombie apocalypse story

18 A story about vampires (the Dracula kind, not the kind that sparkle in the sun)

19 A monster based story

20 A story told from the ghost’s point of view, showing that ghosts too can be afraid
21 A slasher story told from the point of view of the killer

22 A story involving a sick game where the players must make a choice or be killed

23 A story of an alien invasion where the aliens are all cold blooded killers

24 A story set in a theme park, where nothing is ever as it seems

25 A story where an essential element (e.g. water) becomes toxic