

Scares

Ever wanted to throw the player through a doorway, have him collapse, or just want to scare the crap out of your players in general? You've come to the right place! Today I'll show you, in as much detail as possible, how to scare your players without dragging out the brutes/grunts/water monsters.

Scare 1 - Throwing The Player

I once played a custom story where, at totally random times, I(Daniel) would be thrown around the room. (Apologies, I can't remember the name.) This is a great scare!

First make sure you have a little area where you'd like this to happen. For mine, I chose the bottom of a staircase which leads into another open room. It's important to make sure the area the player gets pushed into is a rather open area, unless you'd like the player to run into something and say, knock it over. For my scare, we're going to push the player into the other room, then have the door slam and lock behind him.

1. Place the script area. Once again, mine is right at the bottom of a staircase. Re-name the area to what ever you'd like. I named mine **push**. (See picture 2 at the bottom.)
2. Now you need to open the door. In the Level Editor, click on the door. Under the Entity tab, there's an option called OpenAmount. Keep clicking the + button or simply type in the number **1**. This will make the door all the way open. You can also re-name your door. Mine is called **cellar_1**.
3. Now you need to make the area the player will run into that causes the door to slam. Where you put it depends on how far you want the player to be thrown. For mine, the distance between the script area and the door is about the width of the cabinet_nice or cabinet_simple. Make this area rather large to be certain the player will collide with it. I re-named that script area **door_slam**. (See picture 1 at the bottom.)
4. Now it's time for scripting! Open the map's .hps file. We have to make **2** collides, one for **push** and one for **door_slam**.

```
void OnStart()  
{  
    AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "push", "Push", true, 1);  
    AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "door_slam", "Slam", true, 1);  
}
```

The Callback for **push** I named **Push**, and the Callback for **door_slam** I named **Slam**.

Now you have to make the Functions.

```
void OnStart()  
{  
    AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "push", "Push", true, 1);  
    AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "door_slam", "Slam", true, 1);  
}
```

```
void Push(string &in asParent, string &in asChild, int alState)
{
    PlaySoundAtEntity("", "react_pant.snt", "push", , false);
    AddPlayerBodyForce(30000, , , false);
}

void Slam(string &in asParent, string &in asChild, int alState)
{
    SetSwingDoorClosed("cellar_1", true, true);
    SetSwingDoorLocked("cellar_1", true, true);
    PlaySoundAtEntity("", "00_laugh.snt", "door_scare", , false);
}
```

Under the **Push** function, **PlaySoundAtEntity** is not necessary, but if you want that extra scare, you can keep it and Daniel will react with a gasp. The value I picked for the **AddPlayerBodyForce** is 30000. This will push the player as far as about the width of the cabinet_nice or cabinet_simple as mentioned above. I only wanted the player to be sent forward, but you might have to adjust your values based on where the door is (you might have to put it on the z one) Remember the values for **AddPlayerBodyForce** go **X, Y, Z**. Therefore the player will be pushed 30000 along the x axis. Y will send the player up or down. For **Slam**, I set the door to be closed, then locked. I also added a laugh to make it extra creepy.

Put all of that together and the scare should be a successful one! Good luck!

Pictures: [1](#) [2](#)

Scare 2 - Flying Jesus

Requested by Datguy5! Check out his profile on FG!

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For the famous and most crap-your-pants scare called "Flying Jesus", you'll need an area and a male corpse.

1. Pick yourself a nice location for the script area. One of the best spots is in a long corridor. Keep in mind the script area is for, when the player hits it, the "Jesus" will fly down the corridor. So don't think he'll spawn there for something. Make sure you extend that sucker out to each end of the wall. There are some scared Players that try and sneak past the script areas. Re-name your Script Area. For this example, I'll name mine **FlyingJesus_1**. No pun intended. Don't forget to hit ENTER!
2. Now the best way to do this, and get it right, is to have the corpse spawn and then add a prop force. If the corpse is already active, he'll be lying on the ground in a heap and when the prop force is added he might just slide on the floor. However if you think that's scary you can try that one too. Place your flying Jesus man a decent ways down the corridor, from the Script Area. The length of about 2 or 3 walls is good. Aim his face toward the direction the Player will come. Set him unactive and re-name him! I'll rename mine **Jesus_1**. (Don't forget, when you place him, to make him floating somewhat in the air to be sure he'll hit the player. See [Picture 1](#).)

3. Now we can script. Open your maps' .hps.

```
void OnStart()
{
AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "FlyingJesus_1", "HolyJesus", true, 1);
AddEntityCollideCallback("Jesus_1", "FlyingJesus_1", "Sound", true, 1);
}

void HolyJesus(string &in asParent, string &in asChild, int alState)
{
SetEntityActive("Jesus_1", true);
AddPropForce("Jesus_1", , , 30000, "World");
}

void Sound(string &in asParent, string &in asChild, int alState)
{
PlaySoundAtEntity("", "24_iron_maiden.snt", "FlyingJesus_1", , false);
}
```

I added the scary Iron Maiden sound to play when the corpse hit the Script Area. It adds a scarier jump effect, but it's optional of course. For the AddPropForce, you may have to tweak it. For me, 30000 was perfect, and whether it goes in X, Y, or Z depends on your map. For me it was Z. Here's one way to find out: Select a wall or object in the room. Click the + or - button under Position for X, Y, and Z and note which way the object goes. If it goes in the direction of the Script Area, (let's say it's X) then you put the 30000 under X.

Enjoy making your players freak out and pee their pants. :]

More pictures!

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Scare 3 - Exploding Pots

This scare is an unexpected one. I warn anyone who wants to use this scare to NOT over-use it. It's great to use when there is peaceful music and everything seems so perfect.. and then a pot explodes, dramatically changing the music to that of a nervous feeling. I won't be showing you guys how to get the music, only how to make the pot explode. The rest is up to you.

WARNING: THIS SCARE AS ONLY BEEN TESTED WITH VASE_01 AND VASE_02 FOUND IN ENTITIES>CONTAINER

First things first: grab yourself a pot. I'll be using vase_01 found under entities>container. You can experiment with different ceramics, but only things Daniel can pick up, throw, and break will work. Place your chosen ceramic on a surface if you'd like. I'll just put mine on a small table. Re-name your 'pot grenade' to whatever you'd like. I'm naming mine **pot_explode**.

Next, make a script area. It shouldn't be too far away from the exploding pot. Make sure it's big/tall

enough so the player will collide with it! Re-name it as well. I named mine **explode_scare**. Now it's already time to script!

```
void OnStart()  
{  
AddEntityCollideCallback("Player", "explode_scare", "Explode", true, 1);  
}  
  
void Explode(string &in asParent, string &in asChild, int alState)  
{  
SetPropHealth("pot_explode", );  
}  
  
void OnEnter()  
{  
}  
  
void OnLeave()  
{  
}  
  
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```

The script is very self-explanatory. You collide with the script area, and the health of the pot goes to 0, causing it to explode. Feel free to add some smoke particles or other

sounds!

(I felt like this one didn't need any pictures, so..)

Good luck!

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