

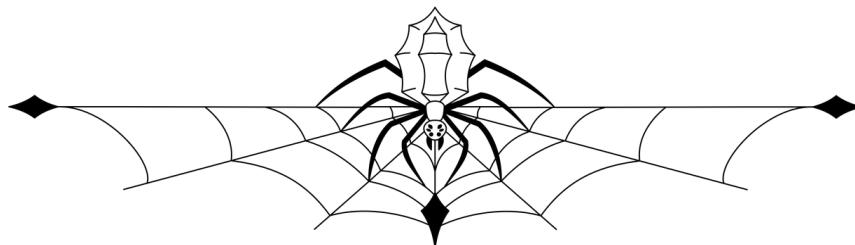
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BUILDING SUSPENSE

Directions: In Chapter 28, the author builds suspense slowly before revealing the Arachnia spiders. Track how the tension increases by completing the chart below.

SENSORY DETAILS CHART

Moment in the Story	What Characters Know	What Reader Suspects	Tension Level (1-10)
The girls wake up in an unknown place			
Endera calls “Hello?” and her voice echoes			
A scraping noise makes them go still			
A voice whispers “Deliciousss”			
Endera fires witchfire—it sputters against stone			
Endera looks up and shrieks			



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1. Why does the author have the spiders speak before they are seen? How does this build fear for both the characters and the reader?

2. Find one example of a sound detail that adds to the suspense. Write the detail and explain why it is effective.

3. The chapter ends with Endera screaming and being silenced by webbing. Why is this an effective ending to the chapter? How does it make the reader feel?

