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For Nancy and Mike,
all the way over in Green Bay.
Miss yooz lots Nanci!
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To Mum and Dad
KH

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On a hill bumpy-steepy,
there's a house scary-creepy,



And it's said that a Snortle lives there.

Now nobody's been,
so nobody's seen,



But Mouse whispers, "Come, if you dare!"



It's
scarily
still, as they
creep up the hill,

Mouse whispers,

“Sssh, Cat – no more talking.”



“Don't tell me to hush – it's from behind us,
Do you think that the Snortle's out walking?”

“That’s silly!” says Mouse, “he’ll be holed in his house,
There’s no one, but me and you two.”

“I’m s-s-ure s-s-something’s here,”
Dog stutters in fear,

Then, suddenly, someone calls,
“WOOOOOOO!”

