

BIG EYED DOLL

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Character Breakdown

BIG EYED DOLL - female, ageless

MARCIA - female, mother to Sammi, early thirties

SAMMI - female, four, daughter to Marcia

At rise: Sitting on a rocking chair in Sammi's bedroom is a doll with big eyes. Sammi is four years old. Her mother is Marcia.

BIG EYE DOLL

(to SAMMI)

Your mother has schools of iridescent minnows swimming out of her mouth.

(SAMMI looks at her mother)

SAMMI

Mamma, I don't like Great Aunt Golda's doll.

MARCIA

Why? It's a collectible. According to E-Bay, it's worth over four hundred dollars.

SAMMI

(to BIG EYE DOLL)

You're scary.

MARCIA

Collectibles aren't scary, dear. Besides, I thought you liked dolls.

SAMMI

I like Bitty Baby. And my maid doll. *(indicates BIG EYE DOLL)* But not that.

MARCIA

Well, she's a family heirloom, which means *very special*. You'll give her to your daughter one day. Let's think of a name for her.

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