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Six stories, originally compiled as **Black Eyes** (Pepper Press). They are worth a look, though not uniformly successful and not all suited for the same age range. In literary terms, the best story is Philippa Pearce's **Black eyes** though it's about kids much younger than the main audience and teddy bears are central. I've used Joan Aiken's **Finders Keepers** successfully with third year secondary kids, modifying its too-difficult vocabulary as I read. Jan Mark's haunted aviary and Marjorie Darke's changeling story aren't great but might find some readers. Helen Cresswell and Dorothy Edwards fill up the rest of the pages, along with Jill Bennett's illustrations (poor, as usual). Good cover though. Have around for top juniors and early secondary kids.

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