

# Weird Tales



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*Can demons be summoned up or banished at will—  
 or do they sometimes get out of control?*

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