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To Matthew, my favorite Little Leaguer

Time for Baseball!

It was Saturday. Lisa Hira **woke up** early. She could see that it was a beautiful day. "Yes!" she said. Lisa hurried to **get dressed**. Today was the first baseball practice for the Falcons.



Lisa **rushed** down the stairs and into the kitchen. She ate breakfast. Then she picked up her new baseball mitt. She punched her hand into the glove.

"I'm ready," she said to her dad.
"Bye, Mom," she called as she left.



Mr. Hira and Lisa went to the car. They saw a moving van pull into the driveway next door.

"Who's **moving in**?" asked Lisa.

"Oh," said Mr. Hira, "I **heard from** Mr. Grant that Mrs. Grant's father is moving in with them."





Mr. Hira drove down B Street. Katy Stone was **waiting for** them at the end of the **block**.

"Coach Barnes called this morning," Katy said to Lisa in the car. "Some of our equipment is **missing**."

"Oh, no," Lisa said.

Chapter 2

Bad News

Lisa and Katy **joined** Andy Lopez and Zack Gibson at the baseball field. They started to tell the boys about the equipment. Then the coach started talking.





“Some of you have heard that I have bad news,” Coach Barnes said. “One of our equipment bags is missing. It was there when the coaches got the equipment ready. The bag had our **bats** in it, so we won’t **hit** today. We’ll practice throwing and catching.”

The team **split up** into groups. Lisa, Katy, Andy, and Zack made a square. They practiced throwing the ball as if they were at the **bases**.

"I **wonder** what happened to the equipment bag," said Katy.





"I do, too," said Zack. "Do you think someone took it?"

"Maybe," said Andy. "How are we going to play without bats?"

"I don't know," said Lisa. "I think the B Street Kids have a **mystery** to **solve**!"

Chapter 3

A New Neighbor

After practice, Katy, Lisa, Zack, and Andy helped Coach Barnes. They **looked through** the equipment room. The bat bags that **belonged to** the other teams were there. None of the bags said Falcons on it.





They heard a horn honk. "That's my dad," said Lisa. She and Katy ran for the car.

At home, the girls practiced in Lisa's backyard. Katy threw the ball. It went right over Lisa's head and into the Grants' yard.



Someone threw the ball back over the **hedge**. "Is that your ball?" said a man.

"Yes, thanks," said Lisa. "You must be Mrs. Grant's father."

"That's right," said the man. "I'm Mr. Smith. I just moved here from Los Angeles. Do you like baseball?" he asked.



“Yes!” said Lisa. “Today was our first team practice.”

“We didn’t get to bat today because our bats are missing,” said Katy.

“That’s too bad,” said Mr. Smith.

“May I come to a game?” he asked.

“Sure!” said the girls.