

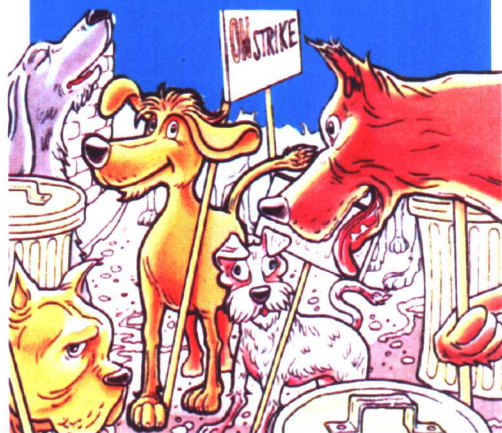
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流浪汉威利

威利的主人去度假时，他们把可怜的小狗留到了马路上。威利有很多冒险经历，最后碰到了利济和许多其他被遗弃的孤独狗。这些狗厌倦了在假期被遗弃，于是英格兰所有的宠物开始……示威游行！

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WILLIE THE VAGABOND

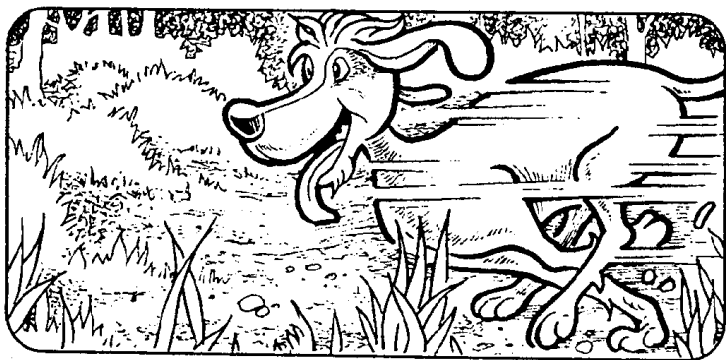
Dorothy Priest

When Willie's owners go on holiday, they leave the poor little dog on the road. Willie has lots of adventures and finally meets Lizzy and many other dogs abandoned and lonely. The dogs are tired of being left at holiday time, so all the pets in England go... on STRIKE!

WILLIE THE VAGABOND

"Here we are, Willie. Come on, jump out, it's time for your walk!" said Willie's master.

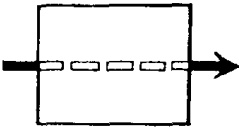
"Oh good," thought Willie, wagging¹ his tail. He leaped² out of the car and began to run across the field, diving into rabbit warrens³ and zigzagging⁴ to miss⁵ trees. "This is the best part of the day," Willie thought. "This is a new park too."



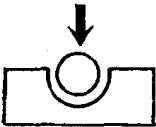
1. **to wag:** a dog wags its tail when it is happy.
2. **to leap:** to jump.
3. **rabbit warren:** where rabbits live.
4. **to zigzag:** to go from left to right.
5. **to miss:** to avoid.

ACTIVITY

ACROSS



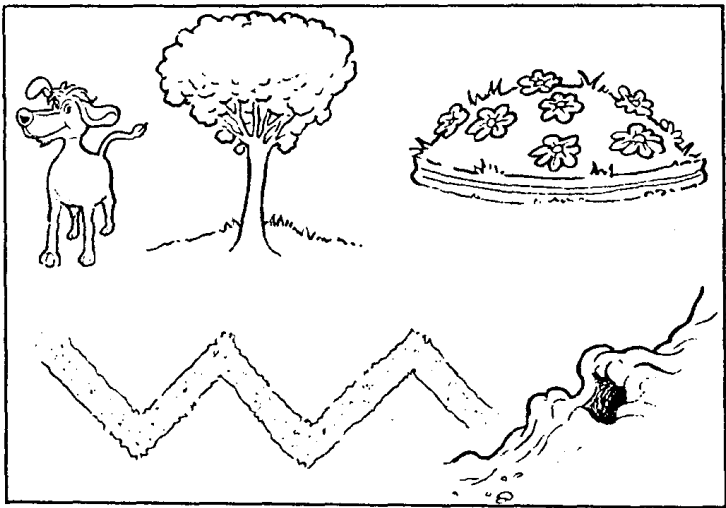
INTO



ROUND



Listen. Draw a line indicating Willie's walk.



Now write sentences.

Willie went round a tree,

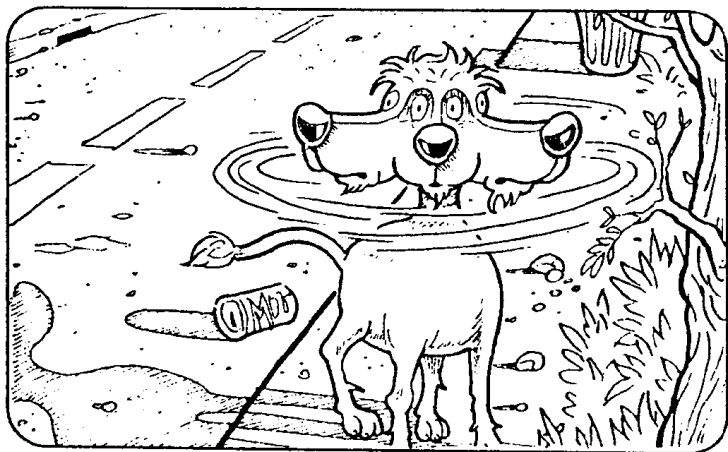
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“Where’s my ball?” woofed Willie in the direction of the car. “Come on now, throw my ball.”

But there was no car... the road was empty¹. Willie ran back to the road and looked left and right. He couldn’t see his master or the car. “Strange,” thought the dog. “Where is he?”

Willie sat² by the road and waited patiently for his master to come back for him. After an hour, Willie yawned³, lay⁴ down and went to sleep.



1. **empty**: opposite of *full*.
2. **sat**: past tense of *to sit*.
3. **to yawn**: when we are tired we open our mouths and yawn.
4. **lay**: past tense of *to lie*.

ACTIVITY



What could Willie see?

**Look at the example and write
similar sentences.**

(boy / master)

... He could see a boy but

... he couldn't see his master.

(tree / ball)

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(warren / rabbit)

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(dog / cat)

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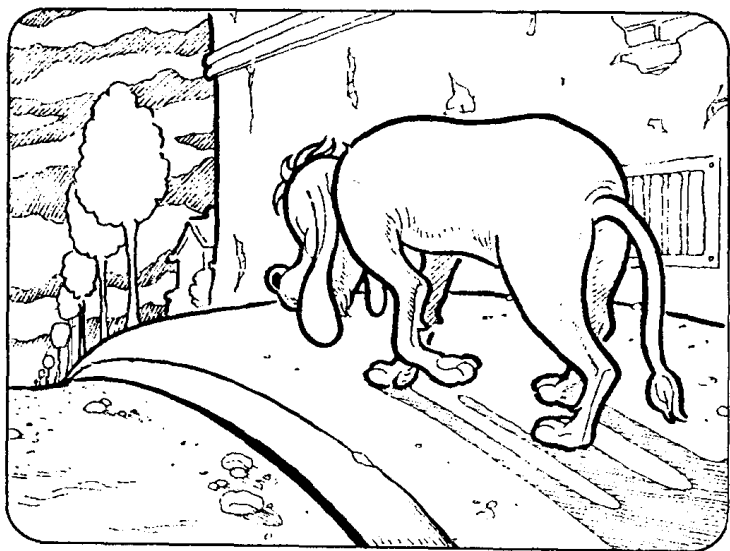
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(hole / car)

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When Willie woke up¹; it was dark and he was very hungry. He decided his master was lost². "I'll go home on my own³," thought he. "My master will be very worried when he discovers that I am not in my kennel. Silly master... he brings me to visit a new park and then he gets lost! Now... I'm sure this is the way to Potter Street, and my lovely, warm kennel⁴! I'll be home in a flash!"



1. **woke up**: past tense of *to wake up*.
2. **lost**: past tense of *to lose*. We don't know where we are.
3. **on my own**: alone / with no other person.
4. **kennel**: a dog's house.

ACTIVITY



Fill in the gaps using the prepositions below.

Listen and correct.

to - in - down - up - to - on - in - to

Willie couldn't see his master so he lay and went sleep.

When he woke it was dark and he was his own.

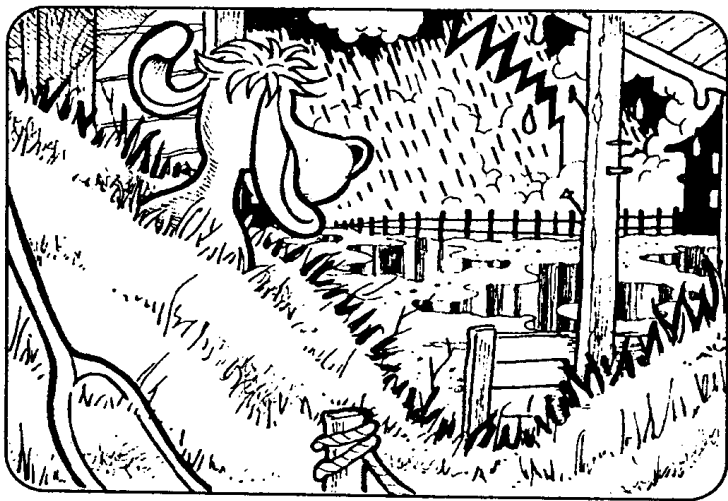
"My master will be very worried when he discovers that I am not my kennel," thought Willie.

"Silly master, he brings me a new park and then gets lost! Now, I'm sure this is the way Potter Street. I'll be home a flash!"

Willie started to walk down the street in the direction of home.

PITTER, PATTER, PITTER, PATTER.

Big drops of rain began to fall. There was a flash of lightning followed by a tremendous clap of thunder¹. Willie yelped². He hated storms! He began running down the lanes, across the fields and through woods. Suddenly, he saw a barn³. He raced through the door and dived into some nice warm straw⁴!



1. **thunder and lightning:** in a storm we see flashes of lightning and hear claps of thunder.
2. **to yelp:** to bark in fright or pain.
3. **barn:** building where animals live on a farm.
4. **straw:** in winter cows eat straw.

ACTIVITY



Answer the questions.

What's a barn?

.....

What can we hear and see in a storm?

.....

What do cows eat in winter?

.....

What's a dog's house called?

.....

What's another word for *jump*?

.....

How did Willie's master take him to the park?

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Make these sentences negative.

Listen and correct.

Willie yawned.

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He went to sleep.

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He woke up in a field.

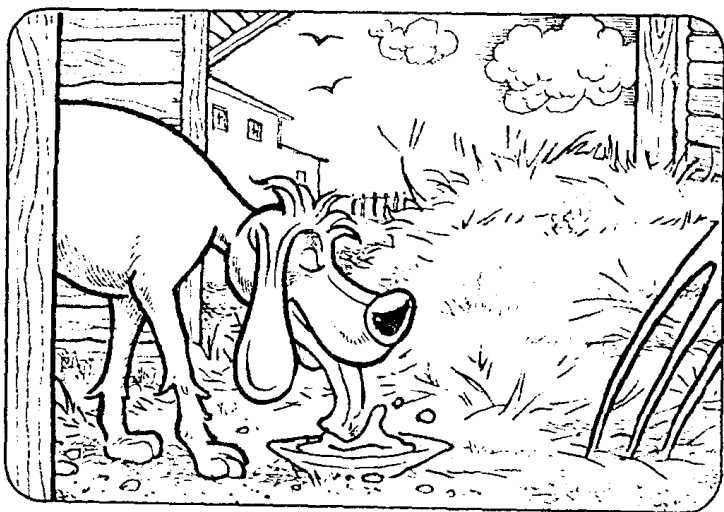
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He was very hungry.

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Willie was out of the storm... and safe¹! "I can stay here for tonight," thought the dog, "perhaps I can find something to eat... I'm starving²!"

Willie began³ to explore the barn. "Not much to eat here," he thought. "But, just a minute... what's this?" In the corner of the barn there was a saucer⁴ of milk. Willie was still hungry after the milk, but he couldn't find anything else⁵ to eat and so he went to sleep.



1. **safe:** out of danger.
2. **starving:** very hungry.
3. **began:** past tense of *to begin*, to start.
4. **saucer:** small round dish we put cups on.
5. **anything else:** any other thing.

ACTIVITY

 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences from the text.

to he sleep went

.....

"here much not eat to"

.....

for stay I tonight can here

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after hungry Willie milk still was the

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the explore barn began Willie to

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of Willie storm out was the

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couldn't he anything find eat to else

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