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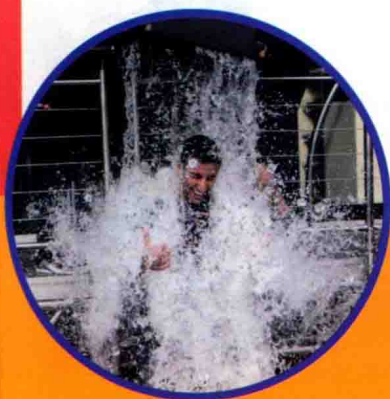
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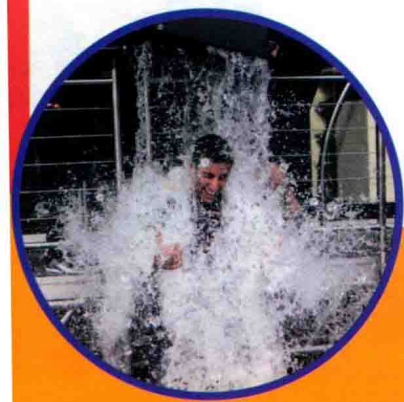
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The Young Detectives: The Dognappers

By Tony and Pam

Tom and Wendy Lok were walking into town. They were going to meet some friends. A woman passed them with a dog on a **lead**.^{*} It was a beautiful, large golden-coloured dog. When she was about twenty metres ahead of them, a car **screamed** up. Two men rushed out of the car. One of them pushed the woman onto the ground and **grabbed** the dog.



The other man opened the car door and between them they pushed the dog into the car. Before the woman could get up, they had driven away.*

Wendy and Tom ran up to the woman. She was crying. They called for the police. Soon, a police car arrived, and she went with them to the police station.

Later that day, the children were talking to their mother.

"These dog thieves have been causing trouble for several weeks,"* said **Inspector Lok**. "They steal **valuable** dogs and sell them for a lot of money."

"I'm sorry that we didn't see the **number plate** on the car," said Tom.

Wendy had an idea.

"Have you thought of putting a **tracking device** on a dog?" she said. "You would then be able to follow the thieves."

"That's a good idea," said her mother. "We would have to use a valuable dog. And then we would have to leave it somewhere where the thieves could find it.* I know, we could use one of our police dogs. They are a very popular **breed**. And they have been well trained."

A few days later, Inspector Lok asked Tom and Wendy if they would like to meet her at the police station after school. She explained the situation.

"We put a tracking device on one of our dogs yesterday. It is a beautiful German **shepherd**. We left it in the town centre. It was not **upset** because it is so well trained. A few hours ago, we saw that the dog was on the move.* The **tracker** shows that it is many miles away in the country. As it was your idea, I thought you might like to come with me when we catch the **criminals**.*"





WORDS

1. dognapper /'dɒg,næpə/ *n.* 偷狗的人
2. lead /li:d/ *n.* (牵狗用的)皮带, 绳索
3. scream /skri:m/ *v.* 尖叫
4. grab /græb/ *v.* 抓住
5. inspector /ɪn'spektə/ *n.* (警察)巡官
6. valuable /'væljuəbl/ *adj.* 贵重的
7. number plate /'nʌmbəl/ /pleɪt/ 车牌
8. tracking device /'trækɪŋ/ /dɪ'vaɪs/ 跟踪装置
9. breed /bri:d/ *n.* 品种
10. shepherd /'ʃepəd/ *n.* 牧羊犬
11. upset /ʌp'set/ *adj.* 烦躁的, 不安的
12. tracker /'trækə/ *n.* 跟踪器
13. criminal /'krɪmɪnəl/ *n.* 罪犯
14. chase /tʃeɪs/ *n.* 追赶
15. by surprise 出其不意地
16. medal /'medl/ *n.* 奖章, 奖牌

"That would be great, Mum," said Wendy and Tom together.

Three police cars joined the **chase**. They followed the tracking device to a farmhouse many kilometres from town. The criminals were caught **by surprise**. Inside the house, the police discovered five valuable dogs as well as their own police dog. It was very happy to see them.

On the way home, Inspector Lok thanked the children.

"You will be pleased to hear that we are going to give our police dog a special **medal**," she said. "And you will both be given an award too."

Tom said, "We're just happy that you have caught the dognappers."

Wendy laughed. "Dognappers. That's a good name for dog thieves!"



NOTES

1. A woman passed them with a dog on a lead.
一个女人牵着一只狗从他们身旁经过。
2. Before the woman could get up, they had driven away.
没等那个女人站起身,他们就驾车离去了。
3. These dog thieves have been causing trouble for several weeks.
这几周以来,这些盗狗贼一直在制造麻烦。此句的时态是现在完成进行时。
4. And then we would have to leave it somewhere where the thieves could find it.
然后,我们要把它放在一个地方,让偷狗的人能够发现。where the thieves could find it是定语从句,修饰 somewhere。
5. A few hours ago, we saw that the dog was on the move.
几小时前,我们看到狗动了起来。
6. As it was your idea, I thought you might like to come with me when we catch the criminals.
既然这是你们的主意,我想你们可能会想和我一起去抓捕这些罪犯。

A QUIZ:

How Much Do You Know About Water?

By Gilly Mann

Water is **vital** for all living things on Earth. It is not only vital for our **survival** as humans but also for animals and plants. We use water every single day to do everything. How much do you know about water? Take the quiz and let's see.



1 Water is made up of two **elements**?

- A** Hydrogen and oxygen
- B** Hydrogen and carbon dioxide
- C** Oxygen and nitrogen

2 We can live without food for about 3 weeks. How long can we live without water?

- A** 1 day
- B** 3 to 4 days
- C** 1 week

3 On our planet, there is water in the **atmosphere**, in the earth, and in lakes and rivers. How much of our water on our planet is in our oceans?

- A** 50%
- B** 75%
- C** 95%





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Fresh water is **precious**. There isn't a lot of fresh water on our planet. About 95% of our water is **salty**. Only 5% of Earth's water is fresh but we don't have **access** to all of the 5%.* We can only access about 30% of the 5% of Earth's fresh water. Why is this?

- A The **remaining** 70% is stored in **glaciers** and **polar ice caps**.
- B The remaining 70% is not safe to drink.
- C The remaining 70% is **contaminated**.

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The bottom of the oceans isn't flat. We can find **enormous** holes that were formed during the Ice Age.* There are also mountain **ranges, ridges** and **trenches**. What is the name of the deepest trench, which is about 11,000 metres deep and is found in the Pacific Ocean?*

- A Kuril Trench*
- B Puerto Rico Trench*
- C Mariana Trench*

