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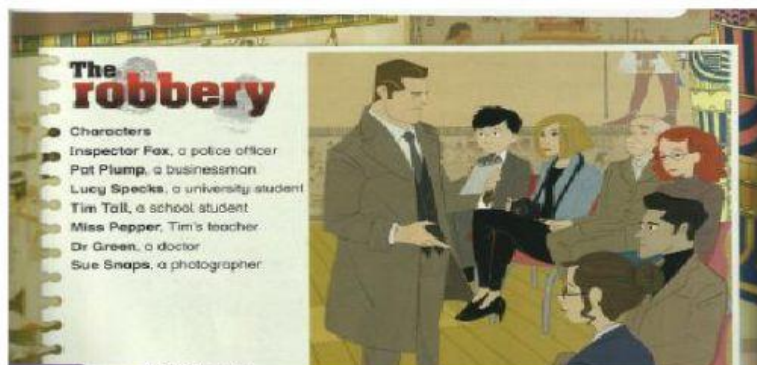
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## It's A Mystery



### READING

Read the discussion forum and answer the questions.



**The Robbery**

**Characters**  
 Inspector Fox, a police officer  
 Pat Plump, a businessman  
 Lucy Specks, a university student  
 Tim Tall, a school student  
 Miss Pepper, Tim's teacher  
 Dr Green, a doctor  
 Sue Snaps, a photographer

Inspector Fox: You're all here because there was a **robbery** at the museum yesterday.  
 Lucy Specks: (smiling sweetly) We're all **suspects**, aren't we, Inspector?  
 Inspector Fox: Yes, you are. I'm sorry. A **valuable** dinosaur egg is missing from the museum. Someone stole it yesterday evening.  
 Sue Snaps: That's terrible!  
 Inspector Fox: You were the only visitors in the museum at the time of the robbery. I'm taking **statements** about where you all were at five o'clock. Mr Plump, where were you?  
 Pat Plump: I was drawing hieroglyphics in the Egyptian Room. It's my favourite **hobby**.  
 Inspector Fox: (looks at notes) Collecting dinosaur eggs is also one of your hobbies, isn't it?  
 Pat Plump: That's not a **crime**, is it?  
 Inspector Fox: Miss Specks, the CCTV camera shows you leaving the museum with a large bag at five o'clock.  
 Lucy Specks: Yes, it was my brother's birthday. I bought him a present in the museum shop. I can **prove** it – here's the receipt showing what I bought.  
 Inspector Fox: OK, thank you. Now, who's next? Tim, isn't it?  
 Tim Tall: Yes, Inspector. I was at the museum on a school trip.  
 Inspector Fox: But the trip ended at four o'clock – why were you still here at five o'clock?  
 Miss Pepper: I can answer that, Inspector! Tim lost his school bag and went to find it. Then he got lost. I went to look for him and found him in the Chinese Room at five o'clock.  
 Inspector Fox: (makes a note) OK. What about you, Miss Snaps?  
 Sue Snaps: I was in the Restoration Room looking at some old paintings.  
 Inspector Fox: Did anyone see you?  
 Sue Snaps: Yes, I talked to the museum guard – he saw me go in at quarter to five and leave twenty minutes later.  
 Inspector Fox: How interesting! Then Dr Green, it seems that you were the only person who was in the Dinosaur Room at five o'clock yesterday!  
 Dr Green: Yes, I was there all afternoon. I was doing some research on dinosaur eggs. But I didn't steal the egg!  
 Lucy Specks: He's **lying**, Inspector! He was the only one there – he must be the thief!  
 Inspector Fox: Actually, Miss Specks, Dr Green is not the thief.  
 Miss Pepper: (surprised) Really? How do you know?  
 Inspector Fox: Because the egg wasn't in the Dinosaur Room at five o'clock. It was in the Restoration Room for cleaning – and that's when Miss Snaps stole it!  
 Sue Snaps: (sneaks out) I didn't steal it! I only **borrowed** it! I wanted to take a photograph of it in my garden for a magazine. I was going to put it back today, but I haven't had time yet. Look, here it is!  
 Pat Plump: Congratulations, Inspector, you've **solved** the crime! Can we all go home now?  
 Inspector Fox: Yes, you can, except for you, Miss Snaps. You'll have to come with me.

Read and match the words to the correct definitions. (LP:3)

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| 1  | A police officer or detective tries to solve this                     |
| 2  | This means that something is worth a lot of money                     |
| 3  | The act of stealing something from a place.                           |
| 4  | An activity that you enjoy doing in your free time                    |
| 5  | To say something that isn't true                                      |
| 6  | A person that you think is guilty of a crime                          |
| 7  | Something someone says about a crime and a police officer writes down |
| 8  | To find out the answers to a mystery or a crime                       |
| 9  | To show that something is true                                        |
| 10 | To receive and use something that you give back later                 |

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| a. lie       |
| b. prove     |
| c. statement |
| d. solve     |
| e. crime     |
| f. borrow    |
| g. hobby     |
| h. valuable  |
| i. suspect   |
| j. robbery   |

Skills:

3.2 Understand a variety of linear and non-linear print and digital texts by using appropriate reading strategies

3.2.4 Use with some support familiar print and digital resources to check meaning