

**Act 2: First City Bank**

The Police Chief (PC) and Sherman Wilson (SW), the city's best private detective, are talking to a bank cashier (BC).

PC : My men are looking for the robber. Tell me what happened.

- 5 BC : A man came to my window and wrote a note. It said 'Give me the money in the safe or I will kill you.' I gave him the money. He was running away when I set off the alarm.

Enter Policeman 1 (P1) with Man 1 (M1).

P1 : Boss, I've caught him.

BC : That's the robber!

- 10 *Enter Policeman 2 (P2) with Man 2 (M2).*

P2 : I've got the robber ... What? These two men look exactly the same!

M1: We're twins.

PC : OK, where were you this afternoon?

- 15 M1: I was shopping when the bank was robbed. It wasn't me.

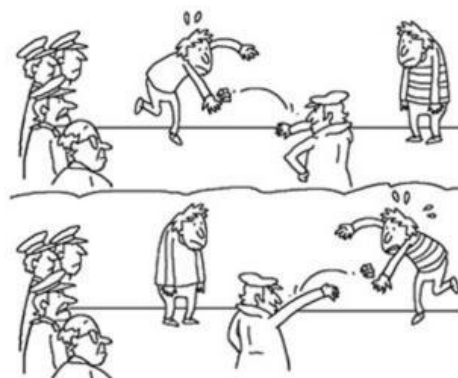
M2: Don't look at me. I was working in my vegetable garden.

SW: One of these men is lying, but which one? What about fingerprints?

PC : The robber was wearing gloves. There are no fingerprints on the note or the pen. Look. *(pointing)* The notepad and pen are exactly where the robber left them.

- 20 SW: Ah-ha! *(making some paper into a ball)* Here you are. Catch. *(He throws paper ball at M1. He catches it with his right hand.)* And one for you. *(He throws another paper ball at M2. He catches it with his left hand. Then Sherman points at M1.)* This is the robber. Look
- 25 at the pen. It is on the right side of the notepad so a right-handed man put it there. The first twin caught the paper ball with his right hand, the second used his left. Only one twin is right-handed.

- PC : *(to M1)* I'm arresting you. *(to M2)* You can go. *(to Sherman)*
- 30 Well done, Sherman. Thanks for your help!



Date: _____

**B** Read the play again and finish the news report using words from the play.**Robbery at First City Bank**

The police have caught the man who stole money from First City Bank. The robber escaped but a ❶ _____ set off the alarm. The police ❷ _____ two men. The city's top ❸ _____, Sherman Wilson worked out which man was the robber.

**C** Blacken ● the circles.

1 What is 'a fingerprint'?

☐ A.☐ B.☐ C.☐ D.

2 Read line 11. Policeman 2 says 'What?'. How does he feel?

☐ A.☐ B.☐ C.☐ D.

3 Read line 16. Why does Man 2 say 'Don't look at me'?

☐ A. He is shy.☐ B. He doesn't know the answer.☐ C. He wants people to believe that he is not the robber.☐ D. He is a twin.

4 Which sentence is true?

☐ A. The robbery happened before lunch.☐ B. The robber shot at a bank cashier.☐ C. The robber was wearing gloves because he was working in his garden.☐ D. The robber lied about going shopping.

★ 5 How did Sherman know who the robber was?

☐ A. There were fingerprints on the pen and notepad.☐ B. He thought the twins looked different.☐ C. He knew the robber was right-handed.☐ D. He knew the robber could catch paper balls.

What did Sherman do to find out who the robber was?