

A busy Monday

The snow started falling on Friday night. It snowed all weekend too. On Monday morning, everything outside was white. "It's not safe to drive today," a man on the radio said. "All the schools are closed. And the roads are too dangerous to go to the sports centre or go to the circus this evening, everyone. Sorry!"

My mum and dad picked up their phones. Mum called the place where she works. She's a dentist. And Dad called the café where he works. He is a cook. "No work today!" they said.

Mum said **I must clean the hall rug.** "And water all the plants, too. Let's have a busy day at home. I can make a meat and potato pie, then I'd like to paint the hall.

"Well," said Dad. "I must fix the washing machine, then I'd like to make some bread and some onion soup and then read my new e-book. Mark, you must clean your pet rabbit's cage, feed the puppy and practice the piano.

And how about making that model spaceship?"

"All right," I said. "But some pieces are missing, I think... Oh! I've got a text from Alex."

Alex is my best friend. I read his message and sent him a quick answer.

The snow's really deep! We couldn't open our door, but I climbed out a window. Shall I come round? – Yes.

Alex helped me clean the rabbit's cage. That wasn't easy and we had to catch the rabbit! We didn't feed the puppy because it was asleep on one of Dad's sweaters and we didn't want to wake it up. We practiced on the piano. We aren't very good, but we had fun!

Then we looked at the instructions to make the model spaceship. "There are 57 pieces...." I said, "and we must start with these four little ones." Alex counted the pieces. "There are only 53," he said. "Those four little ones aren't here."

“ We haven’t got all the pieces for the spaceship!” I called to my parents. “Well, help me paint this hall!” Mum said.

“ Or help me fix this washing machine!” Dad said. “ Or play your new computer game!” Alex said quietly. I laughed. “Great idea!” I said.

It’s not the best computer game that I’ve got, but it’s funny. Alex and I laughed a lot. We had to make the animals move really quickly to catch boats, trains or buses or ride in trucks or fly in helicopters.

At the end of the game, the kangaroo was in the supermarket, the lion was in the library, the zebra was in the cinema and the panda was at the funfair.

“Good game?” asked Dad. It was Ok,” we answered. “Lunch?” asked Mum. “Fantastic!” we answered.

After lunch, Mum made a scarf and emailed all her old school friends. Dad cleaned his football boots and tidied the basement.

Alex and I fed our sweet, little puppy, which was awake. Then we taught my parrot to say “Busy Day! Busy Day!” Dad videoed it! “Well!” Dad said. “IT WAS a busy day!”

“Yes,” I said. “ I like being busy. Alex and I cleaned the rabbit’s cage, did some piano practice, took a kangaroo from a car park to the supermarket and a lion to the library, drove a zebra to the cinema and flew a panda to the funfair, fed the puppy, and taught our parrot to say “ Busy Day!”

“That’s right, but what about making that model spaceship?” Dad asked.

“We couldn’t find the last four pieces!” Alex said.

“Do you mean these?” Dad asked.

“ I found them in the washing machine!”

“YES!” I said. “ HOORAY!”

Answer the questions

- 1) Which day was Mark's busy day?
a) Monday b) Tuesday c) Wednesday
- 2) Why were dangerous on the roads?
a) Because it was slippery b) Because it was a lot of snow
c) Because the road was closed
- 3) What does Mark's mother do?
a) She is a shop assistant b) She is a librarian c) She is a dentist
- 4) Where does Mark's father work?
a) He works in a bank b) He works in a café c) He works in a factory
- 5) What couldn't the boys make?
a) a chocolate cake b) a model spaceship c) a phone call
- 6) Which part of the house did Mum make?
a) a kitchen b) a bathroom c) a hall
- 7) What kind of soup did Dad make?
a) onion soup b) fish soup c) chicken soup
- 8) Which part of the house did Dad tidy?
a) a cellar b) a living room c) a basement
- 9) What did the Dad fix?
a) a fridge b) a washing machine c) a car
- 10) What did the Mum make to wear?
a) a scarf b) a hat c) socks

Read and write True(T)/ False(F)

- 1) The snow started falling on Saturday night.
- 2) All the schools were closed
- 3) My mum is a nurse.
- 4) My father is a cook.
- 5) My father fixed his car.
- 6) My mother made a scarf.
- 7) I taught my parrot to speak.
- 8) I practiced the guitar.

Read and write the correct number

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| 1) This person fixes teeth! | asleep |
| 2) When you are dreaming, you are this. | dentist |
| 3) This has lots of parts which move. | video |
| 4) This means to film something. | awake |
| 5) This person is good at making dinner! | cook |
| 6) You are not sleeping when you are this! | machine |

Draw lines. Make sentences

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| 1) Alex helped me clean | the basement |
| 2) We haven't got all the pieces for | the rabbit's cage |
| 3) We looked at the instructions to make the | everything outside was white |
| 4) Dad cleaned his football boots and tidied | the spaceship |
| 5) On Monday morning | the model spaceship |

Match words with pictures

washing machine pie meat funfair scarf basement
cook rug cage spaceship library puppy



Complete the sentences with the word

library pie basement meat funfair rug cage
washing machine spaceship cook puppy scarf

- 1) My dog loves lying on the _____ in front of the fire.
- 2) There is a beautiful bird in the _____.
- 3) The small _____ quickly grew into very large dog.
- 4) My father took off his dirty shirt and threw it into the _____.
- 5) My grandmother is knitting a _____.
- 6) The laundry room is in the _____.
- 7) The _____ had to change course to avoid hitting the alien ship.
- 8) We returned a book to the _____.
- 9) In summer we like going to the _____ and have fun together.
- 10) I'm proud of my father being a good _____.
- 11) I'm a vegetarian, I don't eat _____.
- 12) My mother made an apple _____ for dessert.

