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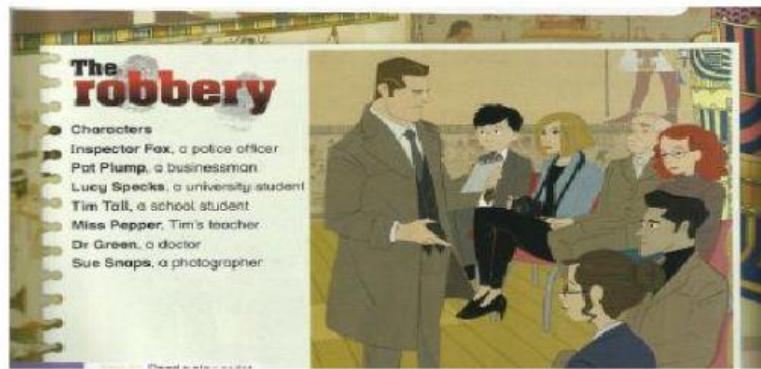
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It's A Mystery



READING

Read the discussion forum and answer the questions.



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 **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 Tell: 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! (takes 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)

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