"NEWSPAPER BOY" by John Escott Macmillan Readers

A) BEFORE READING

There are two stories in this book.

1) Look at the beginning of the first story on page 3. What's the weather like?

2) Look at the beginning of the second story on page 17. What's the weather like?

Find these things in the pictures.

1) Some milk bottles Page

2) A police car Page

3) The gates of a factory Page

4) An oil painting on a wall Page

B) AFTER READING "ALARM!"

1) Read and choose TRUE, FALSE or DOESN'T SAY

a- Toby had a motorcycle to do his newspaper round. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

b- Toby fell and knocked over chairs. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

c- There were two thieves inside Mr Spry's house. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

d- The thieves were very famous. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

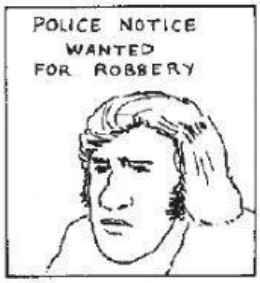
e- The thieves decided to escape through The Electronics Factory. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

f- The factory was very old. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

g-Finally, the thieves were trapped because there was a new alarm system at the factory. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

h- The lorry accident news was true. TRUE FALSE DOESN'T SAY

2) Write the information. Use the pictures in the book to help you.



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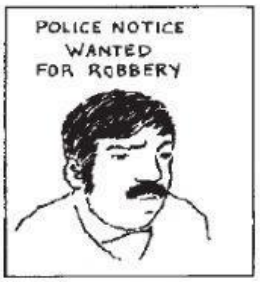

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C) AFTER READING "THE CUTTING"

1) Match the two halves.

a- While Toby was cycling,
b- When Toby arrived at number 17,
c- They lifted the desk
d- While Toby was putting the drawers,
e- He read the newspaper report,
f- When Toby went back to the newspaper shop,
g- Next morning, Toby arrived at the house
h- When they were looking for the pen,
i- Mr Elliot told Toby
j- When Toby came back to the shop,

1- Harry smiled because he knew the truth
2- he noticed a piece of paper inside.
3- while the man was working in the garden.
4- and carried it to the back room.
5- they found a lot of newspaper cuttings
6- the sun was shining
7- and put it into one of the drawers.
8- the new owner was moving a large desk.
9- he was writing about his working life.
10- he told Harry about George Elton, the bank robber.

a- ☐ b- ☐ c- ☐ d- ☐ e- ☐ f- ☐ g- ☐
h- ☐ i- ☐ j- ☐

2) Toby thought Geoffrey Elliot, the policeman, was George Elton, the bank robber. Why did Toby think this? Drag four reasons and drop them into the chart. There are two extra reasons. Look at page 25 for help.

The man has a beard and moustache

He's very rich

He likes newspapers

He stole money

He retired two years ago and the newspaper cutting was two years old

His name is G. Elliott