ACTS OF KINDNESS

STORY 1

LOCKED OUT



Wilma was in her room doing homework when her phone rang with a number she didn't recognize. She was surprised to hear her father's voice. "Hi, sweetie. I just got out of the supermarket and realized that I locked the car keys and my phone in the car. There's an extremely kind teenager here who let me use his phone. He's on his bicycle and is willing to do me a huge favor and ride to our house and back. Will you please give him the spare key by the door when he arrives? His name is Steve and he's a tall, slim 15-year-old." Wilma answered right away, "Sure, Dad, no problem." An hour and a half later, Wilma's father got home successfully. He told Wilma, "I offered Steve some money for his trouble, but he refused. Can you believe it?"

STORY 2

SNOW ON THE ROAD

Alon and his parents were on a trip in Europe. Late one evening, they were driving from Belgium to France when it started to snow heavily. Alon heard the stress in his dad's voice, "Since we don't have the right tires for driving in the snow, we won't get anywhere in this storm." Then Alon's dad stopped the car and got out. In desperation*, he began waving at vehicles to catch people's attention. Finally, a kind Belgian couple stopped to help them. They only spoke French, but they did their best to understand the problem and offer help. Alon's dad moved the car to the side of the road, and then the couple drove them to the nearest hotel.



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STORY 3

THE NURSE'S WALLET



Sarah is a nurse. One evening, on her way home from the hospital, she got off the bus and realized that she had left her wallet on the bus. She still had her phone with her, so she tried calling the bus company. All she heard was a message, saying that they were closed for the night. Angry with herself, she began to walk home. When she got there, she heard someone say her name. She turned around to face a curly-haired teenager. The stranger said, "Hi, I suppose you're Sarah. I recognize you from the picture on your driver's license. I found it and your address in your wallet. I hope you don't mind that I looked in your wallet." Sarah couldn't believe how lucky she was!

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Answer the questions for the stories you read.

Story 1

1. Why was Wilma surprised to hear her father's voice? Complete the sentence.
   Because he was calling from ... .
2. What did Wilma's father ask her to do when Steve arrived?
   a. offer him something to drink
   b. give him the spare car key
   c. offer him money for his trouble
   d. give Steve her father's phone
3. Why was Wilma's father surprised by Steve?
   a. He was only 15 years old.
   b. He was very tall.
   c. He refused to take money.
   d. He stole their car keys.

Story 2

4. Where were Alon and his parents going?
5. Complete the sentence.
   Alon's father had to stop the car because it started ... and he didn't have ... .
6. How did Alon's father try to catch people's attention?
   a. by shouting at cars
   b. by waving at cars
   c. by throwing things at cars
   d. by turning on his emergency lights
7. Where did the Belgian couple drive Alon and his family?

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Story 3

8. When did Sarah lose her wallet?
9. What did Sarah do when she realized she didn't have her wallet?
   a. She called the police.
   b. She called the bus company.
   c. She went back to the hospital.
   d. She went to buy a new one.
10. How did the stranger recognize Sarah?
11. Complete the sentence.
    The teenager had to look in Sarah's wallet in order to ... .

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PUTTING IT TOGETHER **In pairs or groups, answer the questions.**

1. Which story is about ... ?
   1. the weather
   2. a foreign country
   3. forgetting something in a car
   4. forgetting something on a bus
2. What do Wilma's father, Alon and Sarah have in common?
   a. They all got help from strangers.
   b. They all live next to each other.
   c. They were all on vacation.
   d. They all offered a reward.
3. Which act of kindness do you think was the most helpful? Explain why.
4. Think of an act of kindness in your community and share it with your partner or group.

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In pairs or groups, talk about a time when you got help from a stranger or when you helped someone. Use the words on the side to help you.

A few weeks ago, I was leaving a store when my **wallet** *fell and everything spilled out. Then a really nice girl came and helped me pick up everything.*

I did almost the same thing! I was sitting in a restaurant when I saw a woman drop her **driver's license** *as she was walking out the door. I ran after her and gave it back to her.*

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