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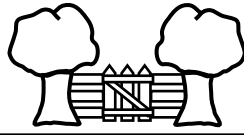
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THE MYSTERY OF MR DODGE

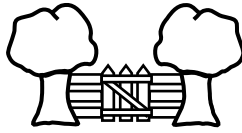
The Story in Brief

The Scallywags enjoy spending time with Mr Dodge and listening to mysteries on tape with him. They know he is an ex-police officer. But they don't know why he's blind and in a wheelchair. They also know that he is lonely.

While searching for clues about Mr Dodge's past, the Scallywags also search for a pet for their friend. Both searches are resolved at the same time.

The Scallywags find a wonderful cat that needs a new home. And Mr Dodge tells them about a car accident in which his wife and children died and he was left blind and paralysed.

The Scallywags discover that they don't always have to spy to solve mysteries. They only have to listen and get to know a person.



Name _____

THE MYSTERY OF MR DODGE

R-Controlled Vowels

Each of the words in the word box has a vowel or vowels followed by an *r*. Think about how the *r* changes the vowel sound. Then choose a word from the word box that makes sense in each sentence. You will not use all the words.

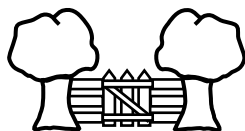
circled	heard	murder
partner	purr	carpark
person	sorry	store
stories	turns	worse

Example: The robber had a partner.

- Mr Dodge liked mystery _____.
- Mr Dodge had a tape he had not _____.
- The mystery was about a _____.
- The Scallywags met in the _____.
- 'I'm _____', Mr Dodge said.
- The Scallywags offered to take _____ walking a dog.
- Abe _____ four ads for free kittens.
- 'My sister will be _____ than ever', Abe told the other Scallywags.
- Mr Dodge had not lived with another _____ for a long time.
- Everyone could hear the cat _____.



Now write your own sentence about *The Mystery of Mr Dodge*. Use the word that is left in the word box.



Name _____

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Short Vowels

Read the words in the word box. Think about the short vowel sounds you hear. Then choose a word that makes sense in each sentence. You will not use all the words.

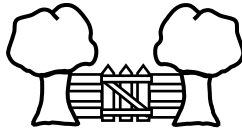
block	happened	listen
animal	welcome	himself
friend	interesting	spending
stopped	laughed	minutes

Example: The man was spending lots of money.

1. Mr Dodge said that police work was _____.
2. The Scallywags were always _____ in unit 13.
3. A _____ took Mr Dodge to the shops every other Wednesday.
4. The Scallywags _____ and joked with each other.
5. The Scallywags walked around the _____.
6. Mr Dodge knew the Scallywags had an _____ with them.
7. The little dog _____ and listened.
8. 'Do you know when it _____?' Tom asked Ben.
9. Gaby talked to Kim for 15 _____.
10. 'Mr Dodge can't come here _____', Tom told the lady.



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THE MYSTERY OF MR DODGE

Long Vowels

Read the words in the word box. Think about the long vowel sounds you hear. Then choose a word that makes sense in each sentence. You will not use all the words.

cleaned	library	lonely
babies	behind	Wheels
quietly	lady	smiled
trail	reminds	police

Example: ‘This reminds me of a case’, said Mr Dodge.

1. The robber had left a _____.
2. Someone had called the _____.
3. The Scallywags sat _____ and listened.
4. Mr Dodge got the tapes from the _____.
5. A man from Meals on _____ rang the doorbell.
6. The door shut _____ the Scallywags.
7. The cat couldn’t have _____.
8. Mr Dodge would get _____ sometimes.
9. Mr Dodge _____ at the Scallywags.
10. A _____ was looking for her dog.



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