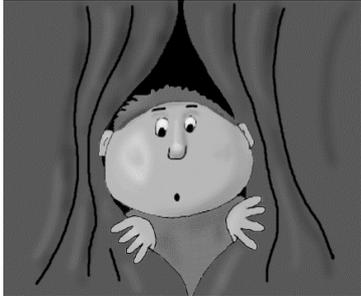


WHAT'S NEXT?

Read these incomplete sentences. Write down what you think happened next.

1. I had always thought that holidays were exciting, until _____
... a description of a boring or disastrous experience...
 2. Although I knew the castle wasn't haunted, when I opened the door, _____
... a description of a spooky or inexplicable event...
 3. Aunt Jemima drove off into the mist in her battered, old car and _____
... a description of an accident or fantasy occurrence...
 4. As the sun came up, I stuck my head out of the tent and saw _____
... a description of wild / strange creatures or being somewhere completely different...
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5. When Uncle Rashid said he had a mythical creature in his shed, we _____
... laughed / teased him, until he showed us the evidence...
 6. Unwrapping the present from my cousin, Marty the Magician, I found _____
... something magical / invisible / a rabbit, etc....
 7. A terrifying roar told us the lions had escaped, so we _____
... found somewhere safe / climbed a tree / locked a door...
 8. The detective, with all the evidence he needed, looked round the room and pointed at _____
... the most unlikely suspect...
 9. In the middle of the night, my cat wandered into my bedroom and _____
...jumped on the bed / screeched and woke me up / snuggled up...

HOW DO THINGS TURN OUT?

Here are some short descriptions of events. Decide what happens in the end.

The snow had stayed for a whole week without any sign of it melting. Kim and Sanjay spent every breaktime at school working on their snowman. Kim had even brought in an old scarf and hat. They were just adding the final touches: an upturned arc for a smile, when...

... the snowman did something unexpected / spoke / danced OR ... something sad, such as the sun coming out and melting the snowman...



Dad said the south coast was a great place to look for fossils. So we all piled into the car, including our dog, Suzi. My bag was bursting with fossil books, my fossil-hunter's hammer, sketch book, pencils and magnifying glass. So it was a pity we spent all day finding absolutely nothing. At dusk, dejected, we trailed back to the car. That's when Suzi came over wagging her tail.

...Suzi is carrying a fossil in her mouth or leads the family to where she has been trying to dig an enormous bone out of the sand...

Class 5 organised a cake sale for charity. We must have made hundreds of cakes. I don't think anybody counted them all. Our headteacher let us sell them at breaktime and after lunch. When we finished, we had nearly £60 for Save The Children and we still had quite a lot of cakes left over, so this is what we did.

... took them to all the classes to be used as prizes / took them to a care home / distributed them locally / ate them all and were sick...



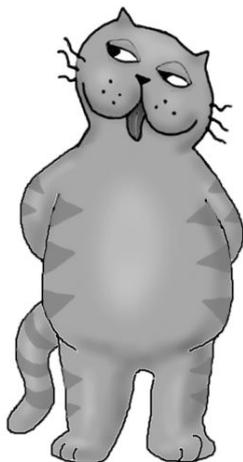
PETS AND PESTS

Here are some scenes involving pets. Using the clues provided, write down what you think might happen next.

Aditya was so pleased with the amazing cake he baked at school that he couldn't wait to see his mum's face. To avoid spoiling the cherries decorating the top and getting dollops of cream all over his shirt, he pushed the door open with his elbow.

At that moment, Sparky, his lively Beagle, its tongue dangling and ears flapping as if he were about to take flight, came racing towards him.

... Sparky jumps up, knocking the cake onto the floor / all over Aditya, who tries to repair the cake before his mum sees it / Sparky eats the cake...



Every weekend, it was Maggie's job to feed the cat. She'd become so used to cleaning Mitzi's water dish and filling up her food bowl with cat food, she could almost do it with her eyes closed.

This particular weekend, it looked as if Dad had brought some fish home for Mitzi as a special treat. The cat certainly scoffed it all pretty quickly. When Dad went in the kitchen to cook some home-made fish and chips, he came out looking a bit puzzled.

... Dad had intended to have the fish for dinner / he couldn't understand why Mitzi looked so content or where the fish had gone...

Charlie loved snakes. All snakes. Well, not those with deadly poison, or the ones that squeezed you to bits. The trouble was keeping an eye on them. They were very sneaky – all seven of them.

Unfortunately, his Aunt Betty and Uncle Maynard, who had just arrived for tea, weren't so keen on reptiles of any sort. Charlie counted his snakes: "... and that makes six..."

... one of the snakes is missing / Charlie tries to search for it without revealing what he is doing / the snake turns up at an awkward moment / in an unexpected place...

