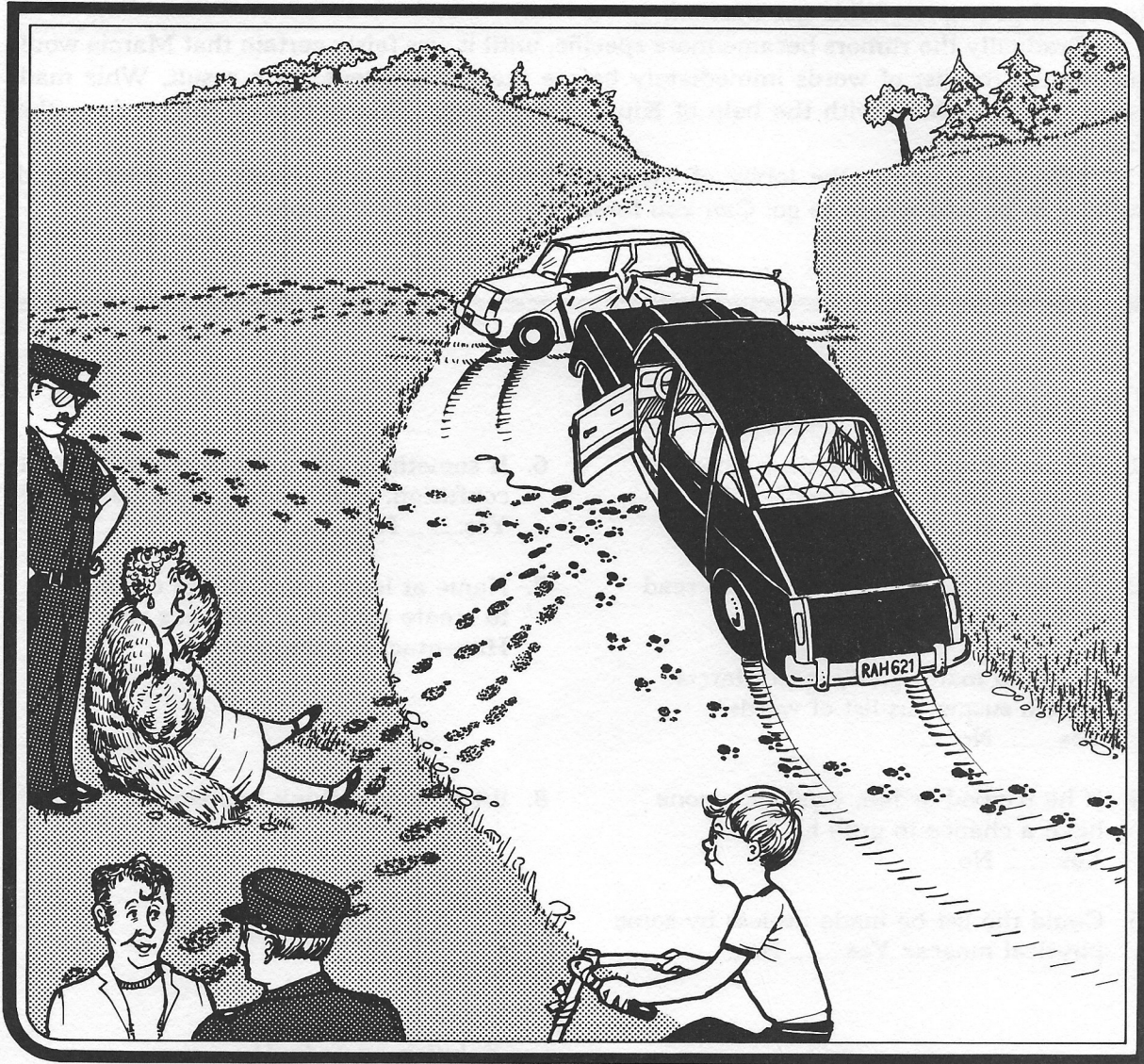


THE GREAT DIAMOND HEIST



Whiz McGonnigle was no athlete, but he could ride a mean bike. That was why his mother had asked him to go to the butcher's and pick up the steak she'd ordered. On the way back Whiz heard the sound of a crash, and also heard one of the drivers, Mrs. Minnie Rahrah (she was a great football fan), scream out that she'd lost her million-dollar diamond.

"I was wearing it on a chain around my neck," Mrs. Rahrah moaned. "I don't know what happened to it. Find it for me. Oh, my!"

A two-man police cruiser had reached the scene immediately before Whiz and his bike. While one cop was still examining Minnie to make sure she was still in one piece, the second cop was questioning the driver of the other car. Neither he nor the other police officer who came shortly afterwards and examined the immediate area were able to find the diamond or any trace of it.

Whiz, however, listened carefully to the questioning of the driver of the other car, then jumped on his bike and pedaled off.

Can you tell how he knew where to go, and why he went there?

Questions

1. Did the driver of the small car block the road on purpose? Yes____ No____
2. Was he in the car at the time of the accident? Yes____ No____
3. Would the police ask him to identify himself? Yes____ No____
4. Do you think that Minnie was driving fast? Yes____ No____
5. Did she try to avoid the accident? Yes____ No____
6. Do you think that she lost consciousness? Yes____ No____
7. Was the diamond stolen? Yes____ No____
8. Was the dog on a leash at any time? Yes____ No____
9. Did the dog run away before the accident? Yes____ No____
10. What was Whiz waiting for?
11. Did he recover the diamond, and if so, how?

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