The Milo & Jazz Mysteries

Super Sleuthing Puzzles

A Note from Dash Marlowe

Greetings, Milo and Jazz,

Congratulations! You did some super sleuthing in your third case! In all my detective work, I've never seen a real ghost. (I thought I did once, in the Case of the Sheet-Wearing Sneak. But you can probably guess how that one turned out.)

To keep your mind alive until your next case comes along, give it a jolt with these mini-mysteries.

Happy Sleuthing!

—Dash Marlowe

Warm Up!

These Brain Stretchers are tricky. But remember, the more you work your brain, the better your brain will work!

1. How do you throw a ball as hard as you can and have it come back to you, even if it doesn't hit anything, nothing is attached to it, and no one else catches or throws it?

2. Two coins make 55 cents and one of them isn't a nickel. What are the coins?

3. Can you rearrange the letters in the words "new door" to make one word? Note: There is only one correct answer.

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Spot the Clue!

Strange lights and noises were coming from an old, boarded-up house. Folks in the nearby town said it was haunted. I was curious and decided to investigate.

As soon as I saw the place, I knew there was no ghost. Someone was living there! How did I know? Check out this picture. How many clues can you spot?

Circle the clues you noticed.

I soon found out someone was living there—a gentleman with a cat. He said he kept the house looking "haunted" because he hated visitors, and so did his cat. Then he asked me to leave.

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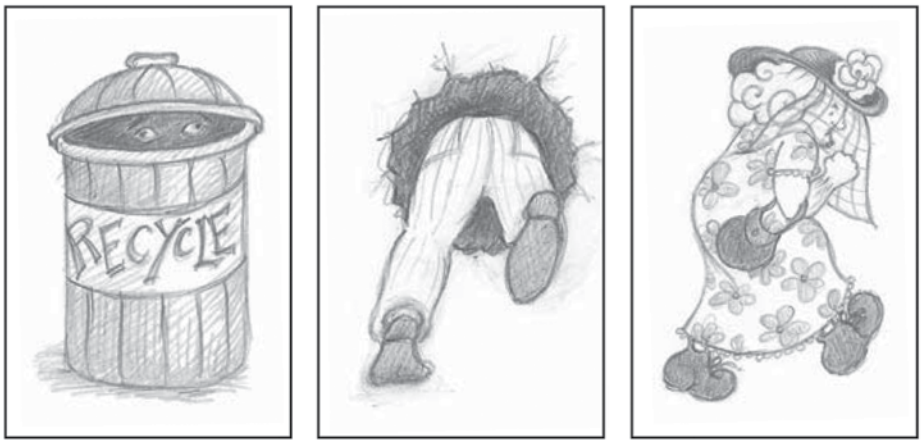
The (Not So) Great Escape: A Logic Puzzle



Three convicts escaped from prison. Can you work out how each one escaped and where they were caught?

Read the clues and fill in the answer box where you can. Then read the clues again to find the answer.

Clue 1 One prisoner walked out of the prison in disguise.

Clue 2 Rocky escaped in the prison garbage truck but didn't get caught at Burger Bob's.

Clue 3 The prisoner who dug an escape tunnel got caught at the guard station right outside the prison gate.

Clue 4 Louie got caught at Burger Bob's (after the burger).

Clue 5 One prisoner got caught robbing the same jewelry store that first landed him in prison.

Clue 6 Sal didn't wear a disguise.

Answer Box

	Rocky	Louie	Sal
How escaped			
Where caught			

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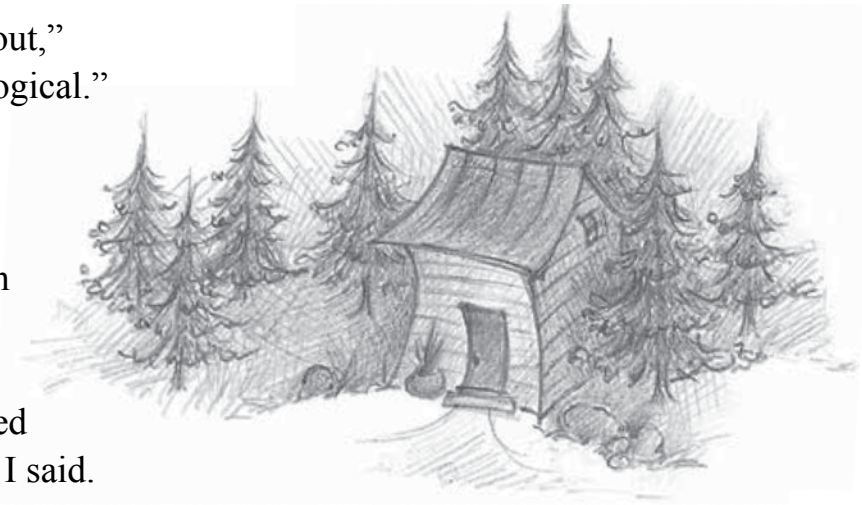
The Shack: A Mini-Mystery

Read this mystery—and try to draw a conclusion!

When I was a boy, my friend Dane and I were off hiking in the woods when it started to rain. We took cover in an old shack. But no sooner did we get inside than the door swung shut and locked. We were trapped!

Dane looked scared. "We'll get out," I told him. "We just need to be logical."



I looked around. There was an open window high up on one wall. But it was too high to reach even when Dane climbed on my shoulders. Then I spotted something. An old shovel propped in the corner. "The floor is dirt." I said. We can tunnel out!"

We dug and dug. The pile of dirt got bigger and bigger until we hit solid rock. Tunneling was useless.

But then I noticed something that gave me a new idea. One that was sure to work! So how did we get out?

Hint: Remember the big pile of dirt from all that digging?

Write your conclusion.

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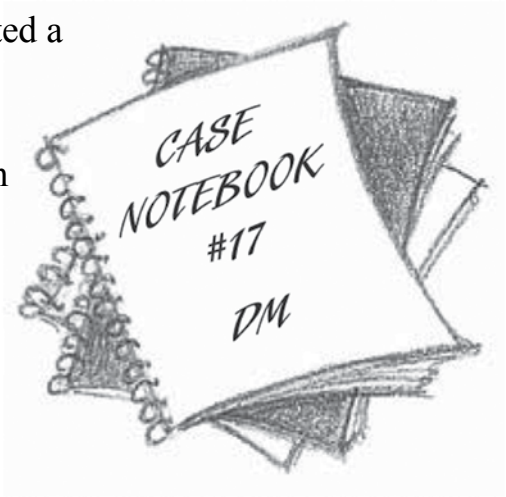
Monkey Business: Cause & Effect Mysteries

Think logically about cause and effect! I once investigated a string of animal-related crimes.



Take a look at some of my case notes, and see if you can match each motive to the crime.

Motives:

Criminal A wanted to communicate with monkeys.

Criminal B really loved omelets for breakfast.

Criminal C wanted a strange and exotic pet.

Criminal D had a major thirst problem.

Crimes:

A chicken was stolen.

An anteater was smuggled onto a plane.

Someone broke into the zoo's primate section.

A trespasser chased a cow through Farmer Vernon's fields.

Describe each criminal's crime.

Criminal A _____.

Criminal B _____.

Criminal C _____.

Criminal D _____.

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