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8. SCHOOL

SIOBHAN. How are you today Christopher?

CHRISTOPHER. I'm very well thank you.

SIOBHAN. That's good.

CHRISTOPHER. In the bus on the way to school we passed 4 red cars in a row.

SIOBHAN. 4?

CHRISTOPHER. So today is a Good Day.

SIOBHAN. Great. I am glad.

CHRISTOPHER. I've decided I am going to try and find out who killed Wellington because a Good Day is a day for projects and planning things.

SIOBHAN. Who's Wellington?

CHRISTOPHER. Wellington is a dog that used to belong to my neighbour Mrs. Shears who is our friend, but he is dead now because somebody killed him by putting a garden fork through him. And I found him and then a policeman thought I'd killed him but I hadn't and then he tried to touch me so I hit him and then I had to go to the police station.

SIOBHAN. Gosh.

CHRISTOPHER. And I am going to find out who really killed Wellington and make it a project. Even though Father told me not to.

SIOBHAN. Did he?

CHRISTOPHER. Yes.

SIOBHAN. I see.

CHRISTOPHER. I don't always do what I'm told.

SIOBHAN. Why?

CHRISTOPHER. Because when people tell you what to do it is usually confusing and does not make sense. For example people often say "Be quiet" but they don't tell you how long to be quiet for.

SIOBHAN. No. Why did your father tell you not to try to find out who killed Wellington?

CHRISTOPHER. I don't know.

SIOBHAN. If your father's told you not to do something maybe you shouldn't do it.

CHRISTOPHER. Mmm.

SIOBHAN. Well, we're meant to be writing stories today, so why don't you write about what happened to Wellington?
CHRISTOPHER. OK, I will.

END

9. HOME

ED. Christopher I'm sorry, your mother's died.
She's had a heart attack.
It wasn't expected.
CHRISTOPHER. What kind of heart attack?
ED. I don't know what kind of heart attack. Now isn't the moment Christopher to be asking questions like that.
CHRISTOPHER. It was probably an aneurysm.
ED. I'm sorry Christopher, I'm really sorry.

10. STREET

Mrs. Shears' house is assembled.

SIOBHAN. "That evening I went round to Mrs. Shears' house and knocked on the door and waited for her to answer it."

Mrs. Shears answers her door. She is drinking a cup of tea.

MRS. SHEARS. What are you doing here?

CHRISTOPHER. I wanted to come and tell you that I didn't kill Wellington. And also I want to find out who killed him.

MRS. SHEARS. Christopher, I really don't think I want to see you right now.

CHRISTOPHER. Do you know who killed Wellington?

MRS. SHEARS. If you don't go now I will call the police again.