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Going for a walk

‘Josh, what time are you leaving?’ called Mum.

‘Soon,’ I called back. ‘Tyler will be here in ten minutes.’ My phone was on my bed. I grabbed it and looked for buses to Pendlesham Forest. ‘There’s a bus at one o’clock. We’ll leave then.’

Tyler is my best friend. Every weekend we go walking. It’s nice to get out of the city and walk through the forest or the fields. We can forget about school and all our work. We just walk and talk, and look at the trees and the sky. Last year, Tyler got an app on his phone. The app has a list of GPS coordinates in nearly every country of the world. You can follow the coordinates and look for hidden containers, called *caches*. It’s fun to find them. Some containers are hidden in the city but a lot of them are in the countryside. So, these days we go for a walk and look for a cache too.

The doorbell rang.

‘I’ll get it,’ I called. I ran to the front door and opened it.

Tyler was there. With a girl!

‘This is my cousin Abbie,’ he said unhappily. He walked past me, into the house. ‘She’s staying at my place. Mum told me to bring her.’ He glared back at Abbie.

‘Poor Tyler,’ said Abbie with a smile. ‘Stuck with his nasty cousin.’ She had a nice smile and her long hair shone in the sunshine.

‘Um ... come in,’ I said. ‘Or ... wait a minute ... no. Sorry. The bus leaves soon. We have to walk to the bus stop. Um ... I’ll get my things.’ I ran to my room and grabbed my backpack. Then I ran back to the door. ‘Um ... I only have



The cache

‘I found it! I found it!’ said Abbie. She waved a small container in the air. ‘Is this the cache? It was at the bottom of the tree, under the dead leaves. Is this it?’

‘Yes, that’s the cache,’ I said. I laughed – she was very happy.

She danced in front of Tyler and waved the container in his face. ‘I found it. I found it.’

‘Give me that,’ he said, and tried to grab the cache.

‘Uh-uh. Hands off,’ said Abbie. ‘I found it. I want to open it.’ She turned to me. ‘Is that okay with you?’

I smiled. ‘Yeah.’

She opened the container.

‘Oh ...’ she said. ‘You were right. It’s not really treasure, is it?’

There was a pencil, a little blue car, a small spray bottle and a piece of paper.

‘What’s this?’ I took out the spray bottle and looked at it. ‘Hey! It’s insect repellent.’

‘What a weird thing to leave in the cache,’ said Tyler.

‘Yeah. But it’s good for me.’ I sprayed my legs and arms and face. ‘I don’t want another midge bite.’

Abbie and Tyler laughed.

‘Let’s trade it.’ I put the insect repellent in my pocket, and then took out the little ship and put it in the cache. I took out the piece of paper and showed it to Abbie. It had a long list of names on it. ‘Because we found the cache, we write our names on here.’ I gave her the pencil and she wrote her name.



Activities

Chapters 1 and 2

Before you read

A. Look at the picture on page 5. Circle the correct answers.

- Whose front door do you think this is?
a. the girl b. the boy on the right c. the boy on the left
- How does the boy on the left look?
a. a little unhappy b. very happy c. angry

B. Find these words in your dictionary. Use them in the sentences.

coordinates trade container bun

- I keep my lunch in that plastic _____.
- At work, Lara puts her hair up in a _____.
- I collect cards and _____ them with my friends.
- Are we lost? Let's check the GPS _____ to find out where we are.

C. Listen to Track 3 and answer these questions.

- What time are Josh and Tyler catching the bus?
a. one o'clock b. ten o'clock
- Where are Josh and Tyler going to go for a walk?
a. in the city b. in the forest
- Tyler got a new phone app last year. What does he use it for?
a. to check the bus times b. to look for hidden containers

After you read

COMPREHENSION

A. Circle the correct answers.

- Who came to Josh's house with Tyler?
a. Tyler's sister b. Tyler's cousin c. a friend of Tyler
- What did Josh take with him to trade?
a. a little ship b. some treasure c. some money
- Who forgot to bring their phone?
a. Tyler b. Abbie c. Josh
- What kind of insects were flying around in a cloud?
a. bees b. flies c. midges

Glossary

adj. adjective; *adv.* adverb; *n.* noun; *pron.* pronoun; *v.* verb

appear /ə'piə/ <i>v.</i>	auftauchen, erscheinen
backpack /'bæk,pæk/ <i>n.</i>	Rucksack
bite /baɪt/ <i>n.</i>	Biss
break down /,breɪk 'daʊn/ <i>v.</i>	stehen bleiben, liegen bleiben (Ein Fahrzeug kann nicht mehr weiterfahren, da es kaputt ist)
break in /,breɪk 'ɪn/ <i>v.</i>	einbrechen
breath /breθ/ <i>n.</i>	Atem(zug)
bun /bʌn/ <i>n.</i>	Haarknoten, Dutt
bush /bʊʃ/ <i>n.</i>	Busch
cache /kæʃ/ <i>n.</i>	Cache (Versteck das anhand von GPS-Koordinaten gefunden wird)
camera /'kæm(ə)rə/ <i>n.</i>	Überwachungskamera
clever /'klevə/ <i>adj.</i>	schlau
climb /klaɪm/ <i>v.</i>	(hinauf)klettern
container /kən'teɪnə/ <i>n.</i>	Behälter
coordinates /kəʊ'ɔːdɪ,nəts/ <i>n.</i>	(GPS-)Koordinaten
countryside /'kʌntri,sɑɪd/ <i>n.</i>	Land
cousin /'kʌzn/ <i>n.</i>	Cousin, Cousine
creep /kri:p/ <i>v.</i>	kriechen / schleichen
dead /ded/ <i>adj.</i>	tot / leer
delivery /dɪlɪv(ə)ri/ <i>n.</i>	Liefer-, Lieferung
doorbell /'dɔː,bel/ <i>n.</i>	Türklingel
edge /edʒ/ <i>n.</i>	Rand, -rand
else /els/ <i>adv.</i>	anders, anderes
escape /ɪ'skeɪp/ <i>v.</i>	fliehen, flüchten
excited /ɪk'saɪtɪd/ <i>adj.</i>	aufgeregt
fault /fɔːlt/ <i>n.</i>	Fehler
fence /fens/ <i>n.</i>	Zaun