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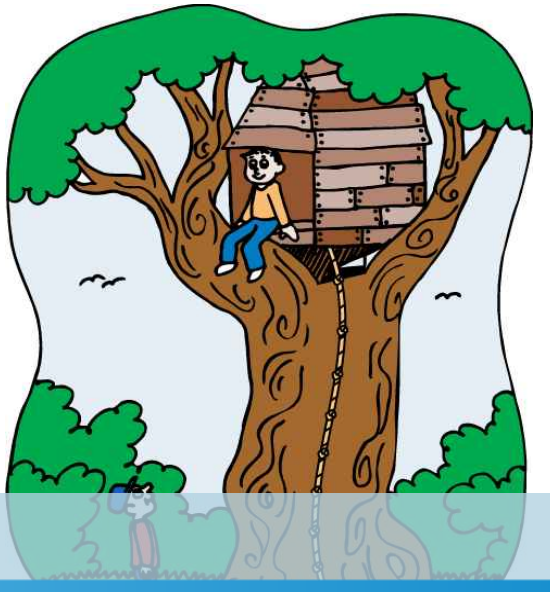

Andy woke up and looked at his alarm clock. 11:30? He scrambled out of bed and threw on clean clothes. He'd wanted to get up early and surprise his dad with Father's Day breakfast in bed—with his mom's help of course. He grabbed the wrapped present off his desk and went to find his dad.

The entire house was empty. Andy even checked the

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"What is this?" Andy asked, motioning to the tree fort.

"Happy Father's Day." Dad smiled and put down the hammer. "Come check it out."

Andy followed his dad into the tree fort. It was amazing. There were three rooms with windows, a rope ladder, and a spy scope.

Dad couldn't stop smiling. "I spent all morning building it. I was going to wait for you, but I was too excited."

"But, Dad, I'm supposed to get you a present for Father's Day, not the other way around."

"This is a present for both of us. I had one when I was your age. Grandpa surprised me with it on Father's Day, too."

"So, it's like a tradition?" Andy asked.

"Yeah, I guess it is. Maybe you'll build one for your son one day." Dad looked around. "So, what do you want to do in your fort first?"

Andy held up the present in his hand. "Here."

Andy didn't think it was possible, but Dad's smile widened as he opened the gift. "A chess set! How did you know I wanted one?"

"I've seen you playing on your computer. I thought you could teach me and we could play together. It's got to be better than playing against the computer, right?"

Dad nodded. "Yes, spending time with you definitely beats competing against a computer." Dad set up the chessboard. "You know, I got the best gift of all this Father's Day."

"I'm glad you like the chess set," Andy said.

"I do, but I was talking about spending more time with you. I always loved the father-son time

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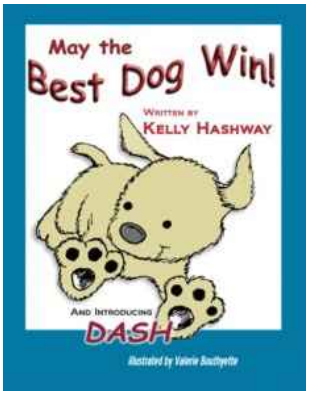

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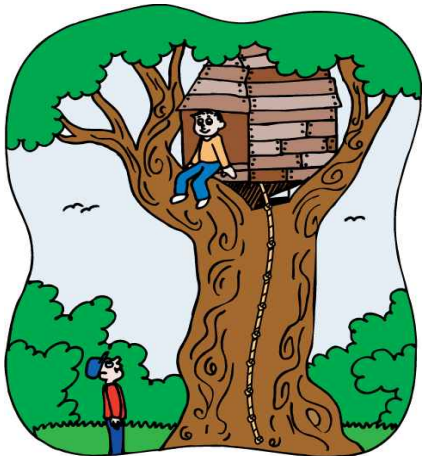

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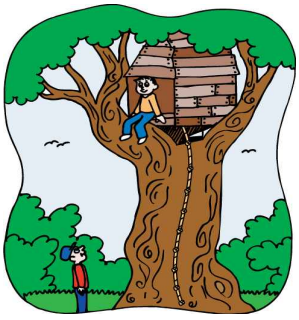

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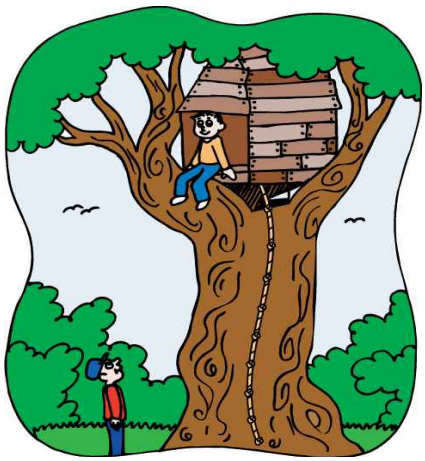

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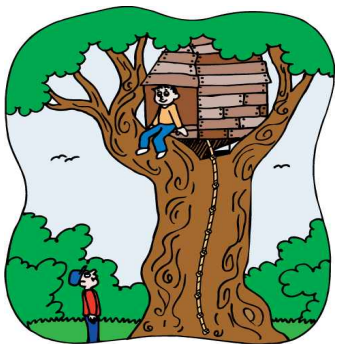

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