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# A Job for Ian's Dog

by Anita N. Amin

"When I grow up, I want to be a bird house painter," Ian told his dad. Ian had a bird house but he didn't have paint.

So, he and Dad walked to the shop. Ian's dog, Sir Wags-a-Lot, went too.

On the way, Ian asked Sir Wags-a-Lot, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

He saw some police and their dog. The dog smelled the grass.



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was a nurse.

Ian told Sir Wags-a-Lot. "Do you want to be a dog that helps sick kids?"

Sir Wags-a-Lot barked again.

At home, Ian painted his bird house. "Sir Wags-a-Lot, what do you want to be when you grow up?"

Sir Wags-a-Lot ran away.

"Where is that dog going?" Dad asked.

Sir Wags-a-Lot came back with a paint brush. He painted the bird house.

"Sir Wags-a-Lot wants to paint bird houses when he grows up, too!" Ian said.

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1. In the story, which question does Ian ask Sir-Wags-a-Lot first?

- a. "Do you want to be a dog that helps sick kids?"
- b. "What do you want to be when you grow up?"
- c. "Do you want to be a police dog?"
- d. "Do you want to be a guide dog?"



2. How does Ian know that Sir-Wags-a-Lot wants to be a bird house painter too?



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d. Sir-Wags-a-Lot needs a new dog toy.

4. Based on what you read in the story, what does the word "blind" mean?

The word "blind" means \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Who are the three main characters in this story?

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

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Draw lines to match the words from the story with their meanings.

- |               |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|---|
| 1. police     | ● | ● | a person who is trained to take care of sick people |
| 2. bird house | ● | ● | a public road in a town or city                     |



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| 5. street    | ● | ● | a small box where birds can live and make their nests                                 |
| 6. guide dog | ● | ● | a colored liquid that is brushed onto surfaces to make them look nice or protect them |



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  - b. "What do you want to be when you grow up?"**
  - c. "Do you want to be a police dog?"



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- 2. **Dad**
- 3. **Sir-Wags-a-Lot**

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