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- **Family**

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### Lesson 32
- **Free time**
- **Lifestyles**

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'It's an interesting job,' says Sally about her work at Happy Hills. And today is a very exciting day because Zapp the famous singer is coming. Everybody is having a wonderful time. But suddenly something goes wrong. Very wrong.

'There's a new girl in town,' says Joe, and soon Steve is out looking for her. Marietta is easy to find in a small town, but every time he sees her something goes wrong ... and his day goes from bad to worse.

### Lesson 48
- **Daily routines**
- **Jobs**

'It's an interesting job,' says Dan, a police officer. The police use TV cameras but it is not easy because there are so many suspects. Who is the robber?

### Lesson 64
- **Activities**
- **Travelling**

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**Themes**

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**PLAYSCRIPTS**

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- John Escott
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**TRUE STORIES**

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