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A Birthday Bike ...



Michael's birthday is coming soon, so he asks his dad for a bicycle to go to school with it.

However, Michael's dad lost his job and has not a lot of money. Michael receives a book instead of a bicycle, but he does not complain.

One bright and sunny day while Michael is walking along the store on his way to school, he sees a big boy on a bike. The bike is too small for the boy. As the boy turns around a corner, the bike slips on a puddle of water and crashes into a lamp-post.



The boy is in Michael's school. Michael recognises him. The boy's name is William. William is hurt, his leg may be broken. Michael picks up William's bike which is not damaged and rides to the hospital to get help. A few minutes later, an ambulance comes and brings William to the hospital. Michael takes William's bike to school so he is not late.

After school, Michael quickly rides the bicycle to William's house with a book and a puzzle for William. William is not too seriously hurt. He is back home because his leg is in a cast.



To Michael's surprise, William will have a new bike on his birthday in two months' time and Michael will have William's old bike. Michael is very very happy.

Michael and William becomes good friends. Michael is visiting William every day until William's leg feels better.



However = [hau'vevə] = cependant, comme, toutefois.

To complain = [kəm'pleɪn] = Se plaindre

While = [wouaɪle] = pendant que, puisque, tant que

Bike = [baɪke] = vélo, bicyclette.

Puddle of water = ['ʌdl] [ɒf] ['wɔ :tə'] flaque d'eau

Recognise = [rɪkɒg'naɪse] = reconnaître, identifier.

Damaged = [damaɪd'ged] = endommagé

Cast = [kɑ :st] = plâtre



Questions :

What does Michael want for his birthday ? Will he have it ? Why ?

When does he see a boy falling down ? How is the bike for this boy ? What does happen to him ?

What is his name ? Is he hurt ? What does Michael do for him ? What does Michael do for him

after school ? What will William have for his next birthday ? Is it good for Michael ?

Will they become friends ?

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