

A to Z Mysteries

The Canary Caper

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Chapter 1

Dink Duncan opened his front door. His best friend, Josh Pinto, was standing on the steps. "Hi, Josh. C'mon in," said Dink. "I just finished lunch."

Josh hurried past Dink, wiping his forehead. "We sure picked the hottest day of the summer to go to the circus," he said. "I just took a shower, and I'm still hot."



They all gulped when a tiger trainer put his hand right inside a tiger's mouth.

"Guess the tiger's not hungry," Josh said with a grin.



Chapter 2

Early the next morning, Ruth Rose poked her head into Dink's tent. "Wake up, you guys!"

Dink shot up out of a sound sleep. "Did Tiger come back?" he asked, peering sleepily at Ruth Rose.

"No, she didn't. I'm going to the police station and I want you guys to come with me."



single claw mark. He shot a look at Ruth Rose.

"Thank you, Mr. Little," said Mrs. Davis. "Won't you step inside?"

Mrs. Davis introduced him to Dink, Josh, and Ruth Rose. Then she opened the box and lifted out her canary.

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C is for CANARY . . .



Dink, Josh, and Ruth Rose get an urgent call from Mrs. Davis. Her canary is gone! And that's not all. Three other pets have mysteriously disappeared—including Ruth Rose's cat, Tiger! The kids are sure a pet-napper is to blame. They won't stop until they've tracked down the thief and returned the stolen pets to their rightful owners!

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