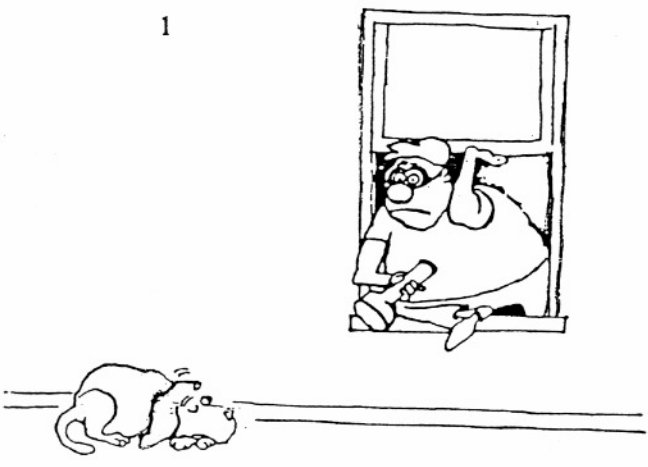
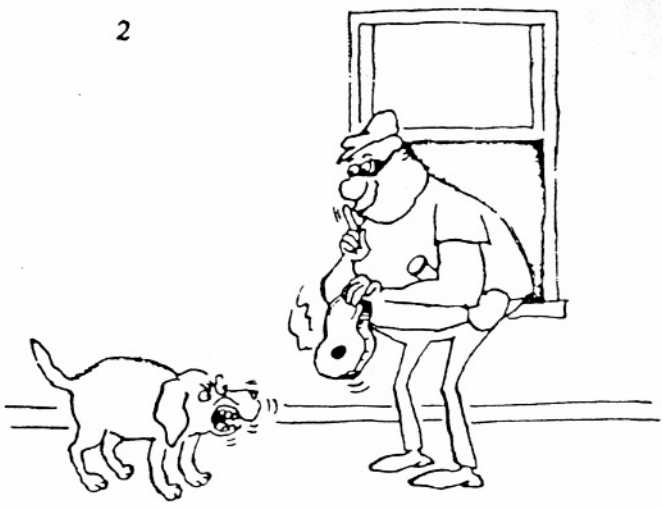

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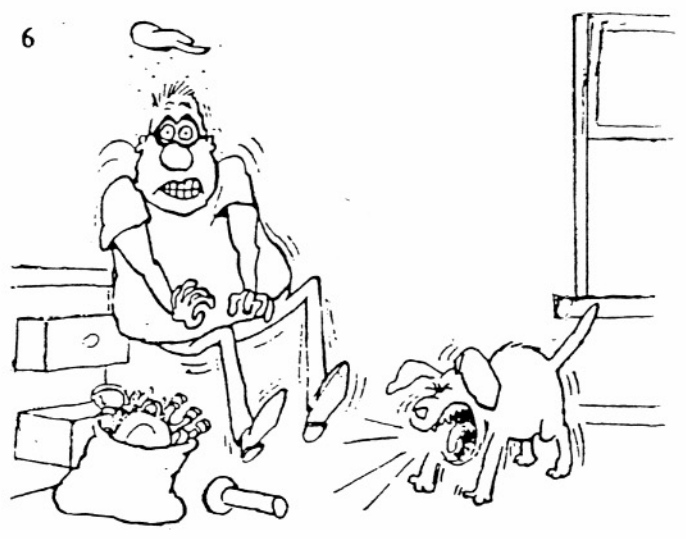
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THE TALKING WATCHDOG

CAST OF CHARACTERS

BURGLAR
TALKING WATCHDOG
CHORUS

Chorus Sound asleep, the street is asleep,
 Sound asleep, asleep like a log.
 The street is asleep, sound asleep,
 Not a mouse, not a cat, not a bird,
 Not a dog.

Burglar Ah, an open window!
 I hope nobody's home.
 A nice open window,
 I hope nobody's home.

Chorus Nobody's home.
 Nobody's home.
 Open the window
 and climb right in.

Burglar What's that thing on the floor?
 It looks like a bunch of socks.
 Dirty socks, it must be socks.
 It must be a bunch of socks.

Chorus Dirty socks,
 Dirty socks,
 It looks like a pile of socks.

Dog Dirty socks! Listen to that!
 I'm not a pile of dirty socks.
 I'm a dog, woof, woof.
 I'm a talking dog.
 I'm a great big beautiful talking dog.

Chorus He's a dog, woof, woof.
 He's a talking dog.
 He's a great big beautiful talking dog.

Burglar Just my luck!
 A talking dog.
 That's what I need!
 A talking dog!

Chorus Just his luck,
 Bad luck,
 A great big loud-mouthed
 talking dog.

Burglar SH! Nice dog.
 Be quiet, good dog.
 I'm glad I brought this steak.
 Sit! Sit!
 Don't make noise.
 Don't make noise.
 Sh! Sh! Be a good dog.
 Sh! Sh! Be a nice dog.

Burglar Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy, oh boy!
 Look at this! Look at that!

Dog Mister, hey!

Burglar What did you say?

Dog Where's my steak?

Burglar Your what?

Dog My steak, my steak.

Burglar I gave you your steak.
 You ate it.

Dog Where's the other one?

Burglar What other one?

Dog The other one, the other one,
Where's the other one?

Burglar There IS no other one.

Dog You only brought ONE?
That's no fun.

Burglar I only brought one.

Chorus He only brought one,
He only brought one,
That's no fun.

Dog ONE steak,
One little steak.

Burglar Don't get excited,
Please be quiet.
You'll wake up the neighbors.
Please calm down.

Dog I want steak,
and I want it now.

Burglar I'll bring it later.

Dog I want it now.

Burglar I'll bring it tomorrow.

Dog I want it now.
Right now.

Chorus Not later, right now.
Not tomorrow, right now.

Dog I know what I want
and I want it now.

Chorus He knows what he wants
and he wants it now.

Chorus What do you want?

Dog Steak!

Chorus When do you want it?

Dog Now!

(Dog continues to bark and wake up the neighbors. The burglar leaps out the window and runs away).

Burglar The street was asleep,
Asleep like a log,
and what did I get?
a talking dog!

The Talking Watchdog

Exercises

Ask Your Partner

A. Ask your partner the following questions. Check the answers in the space provided.

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Does your mother like dogs? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do people in your country keep watchdogs? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Would you like to be a professional dog trainer? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Does your landlord allow dogs in the building? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you think that a dog's life is easy? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Are dogs more difficult to take care of than cats? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Have you ever been robbed? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Do people always lock their doors at night in your country? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. If you were a dog, would you prefer to be | | |
| a. a big nervous watchdog <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| b. a fat, happy housedog <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| c. a smart hunting dog <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| d. a slim racing Greyhound <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| 10. Which of the following sounds would disturb you at night? | | |
| a. a barking dog <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| b. a crying baby <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| c. a howling cat <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

B. Write your own answers to questions 1-8 using a short response followed by a complete sentence.

Example: Do you like dogs? Yes. I do like dogs. I like dogs very much.

1. _____ . _____ .
2. _____ . _____ .
3. _____ . _____ .
4. _____ . _____ .
5. _____ . _____ .
6. _____ . _____ .

7. _____.

8. _____.

Pronunciation Practice

- A. What's that thing?
 B. What thing?
 A. That thing on the floor. It looks like a ring.
 B. A ring? That thing on the floor near the door?
 A. That's right. Pick it up. I think it's a ring.
- A. What are those things?
 B. What things?
 A. Those things on the floor. They look like rings.
 B. Rings? Those things on the floor near the door?
 A. That's right, pick them up. I think they're rings.
- A. WHO is the watchdog watching?
 B. The watchdog's watching YOU.
 A. But WHO'S watching the watchdog?
 B. I really wish I knew.
 A. I wonder who's watching the watchdog.
 B. Nobody's watching the watchdog.
 A. Who is the watchdog watching?
 B. The watchdog's watching YOU.

Words And Expressions

Sick as as dog	He's very sick
Works like a dog	He works very hard
Dog-tired	Very tired
Dog-eared	Pages turned down in a book
Puppy love	Young love
Dog eat dog	Very competitive
Doggie bag	Wrapped portion of food to take home from a restaurant
Dog days	Very hot, lazy days

In the dog house

His bark is worse than his bite

They fight like cats and dogs

Let sleeping dogs lie

Dog bites man—that's not news.

Man bites dog—that's news.

In trouble

He sounds tougher than he really is

They fight all the time

Don't start trouble

Word Search**How many words can you find?**

In the puzzle below, find words from the story and circle them. Some go across, others go down.

* Work with a partner. How many other words can you find that are not in the story? List all the words you can find on a separate piece of paper, and add others you need to make one long, correct sentence in English.

Who can write the longest sentence? Who can write the funniest? Who can write the shortest?

A	H	O	M	E	B	S	G	W
S	T	E	A	K	U	H	E	H
V	N	T	B	I	R	D	T	A
W	I	H	U	S	G	W	S	T
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N	E	T	C	H	A	T	C	G
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