

L.A. Movie by Philip Prowse

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- 1 He was sitting in a movie theatre, watching a movie.
- 2 Charlie was a character in the movie which Lenny was watching.
- 3 He is pleased, because he thinks the car is stronger than new, modern cars.

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- 1 She was a movie star. He had seen her in the movie which he had been watching that evening.
- 2 He thought that she wanted him to drive both her and Mike Devine to their homes. He was wrong.
- 3 Nine thousand and two, Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

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- 1 When Lenny drove Mike home, Mike was so drunk that he did not understand what was happening. When he woke up after the cold shower, Mike had forgotten about Lenny. He had forgotten that Lenny brought him home. So when he found that his apartment had been wrecked, and that Lenny was inside it, he thought that Lenny must have broken into the apartment and wrecked it.
- 2 His idea was that there might be a garage underneath the building. If there was, the intruder could have come up to the apartment from the garage without the doorman seeing him. Mike's answer told Lenny that he was right about this. His idea was a good one.

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- 1 Crazy Ellen's was a meeting place. People used it as a bar, café and diner. There was nobody called Crazy Ellen, or even Ellen. The bar was owned by a man called Costas.
- 2 It is a machine which records telephone messages. If someone phones you and you cannot answer the phone yourself, they can leave a message on your answerphone.
- 3 They were not really nuns, warriors, peasants and princesses. They were actors who were in a fantasy movie which was being made at the studios. They were extras in the film.
- 4 He did not believe that Lenny was busy. He guessed that Lenny did not have any other work.

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- 1 *Student's own answer. The student could suggest that he did not want Rik to know about her problems with Mike Devine, who was in bad trouble with someone.*
- 2 No, Lenny was not happy. He thought that Gail might not want to risk being in the movie if she knew about the threats. He thought that she should be given the choice.
- 3 'Death Behind the Door' was the title of the film which Gail was acting in. 'Closed Set' meant that visitors were not allowed in the studio while the film was being shot.

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- 1 Because he thought that Gail had been killed. He had liked her and he had wanted to protect her. That was going to be his work, and now he had no work again.
- 2 Because she thought that Lenny did not know much about being a private detective. She and Annie had caught him easily near Gail's dressing-room.
- 3 *Student's own answer. The Student should suggest that he did not want Annie and Arabella to know about Gail going out with Mike Devine.*

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- 1 Because trouble always came to Lenny. It would soon find him!
- 2 He planned to wait for something new to happen.

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- 1 The blackmailer had some photographs of Gail with a gangster called Vincent Calab. The pictures had been taken some years before. The blackmailer was going to send these photos to the newspapers unless Gail paid him \$250 000.
- 2 No.

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- 1 Gail's gun was in the package. She had asked Lenny to help her take it onto the set. He gave her the package after the security guards had searched her.
- 2 He thought that one of the statues on the tomb was moving. He was not dreaming. The figure was *not* a statue, it was a man. He was made up to *look* like statue.

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- 1 Because Gail wanted to dance, and Lenny thought that a professional dancer would not usually dance with an amateur. So he asked the man to dance with her as a special birthday present.
- 2 The person at the cemetery had wanted to kill her. But the blackmailer wanted her to be alive, so that she could pay him.

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- 1 He wanted to tell Rik about Gail's gun. He wanted to tell Rik why he did not want to be searched.
- 2 Rik's idea was to make Lenny look like someone else, and then tell everybody that Lenny was an extra working on the film. This was necessary because Arabella and Annie did not trust Lenny, and if they recognised him, he would not be allowed on the set.
- 3 He means that he called his answerphone, to see if there were any messages for him.

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- 1 No. He was not worried because he never kept anything important in his office.
- 2 It was very difficult to find any information about Gail. Nobody knew much about her.



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- 3 He thought that the men who had asked Costas about him, and the men who had searched his office, were probably Calab's men. This meant that Calab knew that Lenny was helping Gail.

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- 1 Lenny knew that Mike did not have any money. He was asking whether Mike's bank would pay him the money for the cheque.
- 2 She was a woman who was working for an unnamed man – Mr X. This man had bought most of Mike Devine's debts.
- 3 He was the man that Mary Sullivan was working for. Lenny found out that Mr X was probably Senator Theo Z. Democrates.

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- 1 *Student's own answer. The student could mention that Lenny thought that Frank was not telling him everything about the threats. And he did not think Frank was telling him all the truth about the e-mails.*
- 2 Several planes must have landed at the airport at the same time, and Lenny had to wait for an hour to have a stamp put in his passport.
- 3 Lenny had been made up to look like Brent Foster. Now he had to practise walking and talking like Brent.

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- 1 'Alan Davies' was the name which Lenny used in Istanbul.
- 2 No. He thought that the blackmailer would have more photos.
- 3 The three men were Brent Foster himself, his double 'Alan Davies' (who was really Lenny), and a professional driver. Three men were necessary because Brent could not drive a car. Lenny had to drive the car in the scenes shot in close-up, because the professional driver did not look like Brent. He could not appear in close-up scenes.

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- 1 Because Lenny and Brent looked so similar, she did not know which man was the star and which was the double.
- 2 The men in the Mercedes were shooting at Gail and Lenny. This was not part of the scene in the movie. Gail was on the floor of the Mustang.

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- 1 He turned his car round and drove it straight at the Mercedes. He forced the Mercedes to crash.
- 2 Because the part of the bridge his car was on was rising. The bridge was opening in the middle to let a ship go through.
- 3 He had found out that the red light, the broken barrier and the siren were warnings. They told drivers that the bridge was about to open, and they should not drive onto it.

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- 1 Gail was not in love with Mike. He was just a friend.
- 2 Democrates wanted to be the next President. If he knew about the photos, he would not want to marry Gail. He would fear a scandal which would stop him being elected President.
- 3 A helicopter had lifted the car off the bridge.

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- 1 He wanted to record everything that was said in Frank's office. He thought that he might record some evidence about the crimes. Then he could give the recording to the police.
- 2 Because the security guards at the gate had already seen Lenny, who was made up to look like Brent. They thought that the real Brent was someone *pretending* to be the star, and they would not let him into the studios.
- 3 One of Calab's men had seen all Brent's movies. He noticed that Lenny did not talk like Brent.

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- 1 He watched the phone booth where Gail left the money. He saw Rik collect the money from the booth.
- 2 He had known Rik a long time. Once, Rik had been a good man. *Student's own answer for the second part of the question.*