



Sam and Bloop at Field Day



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Bloop is in top shape!

It's the middle of the night and he is preparing for the field day at school today. He lifts weights, stretches his muscles, and makes a ruckus that wakes everyone in the house.

Sam would like to get some sleep.

"Be reasonable, Bloop. Go to bed, please, and save your energy for the events."

It's time to go. Mom and Dad encourage them to try their best, then Sam and Bloop head to the bus stop.

Bloop can't wait to get started! He begins his warm-up exercises and bumps into students who are in line to get on the bus.

"Settle down," says Sam. "Can't you at least wait until we get to school before warming up? You're bothering everyone!"



*Bloop broke an important rule.
Which one?*

Turn to page 12 for the answer.





Sam and Bloop climb aboard the school bus.

They politely greet Mrs. Beauregard, the driver, and go to their seat... where something unexpected is waiting for them.

"That's our seat," says Sam to Big Martin.

"Your seat? I don't see your name written on it anywhere or that little blue worm's either," the boy answers bluntly.



Based on his actions, Martin broke two important rules. Which ones?

Turn to page 12 for the answer.

Martin's remark infuriates Bloop!

"Calm down, Bloop," says Sam quietly.

"Don't waste your energy over that kind of stupidity."



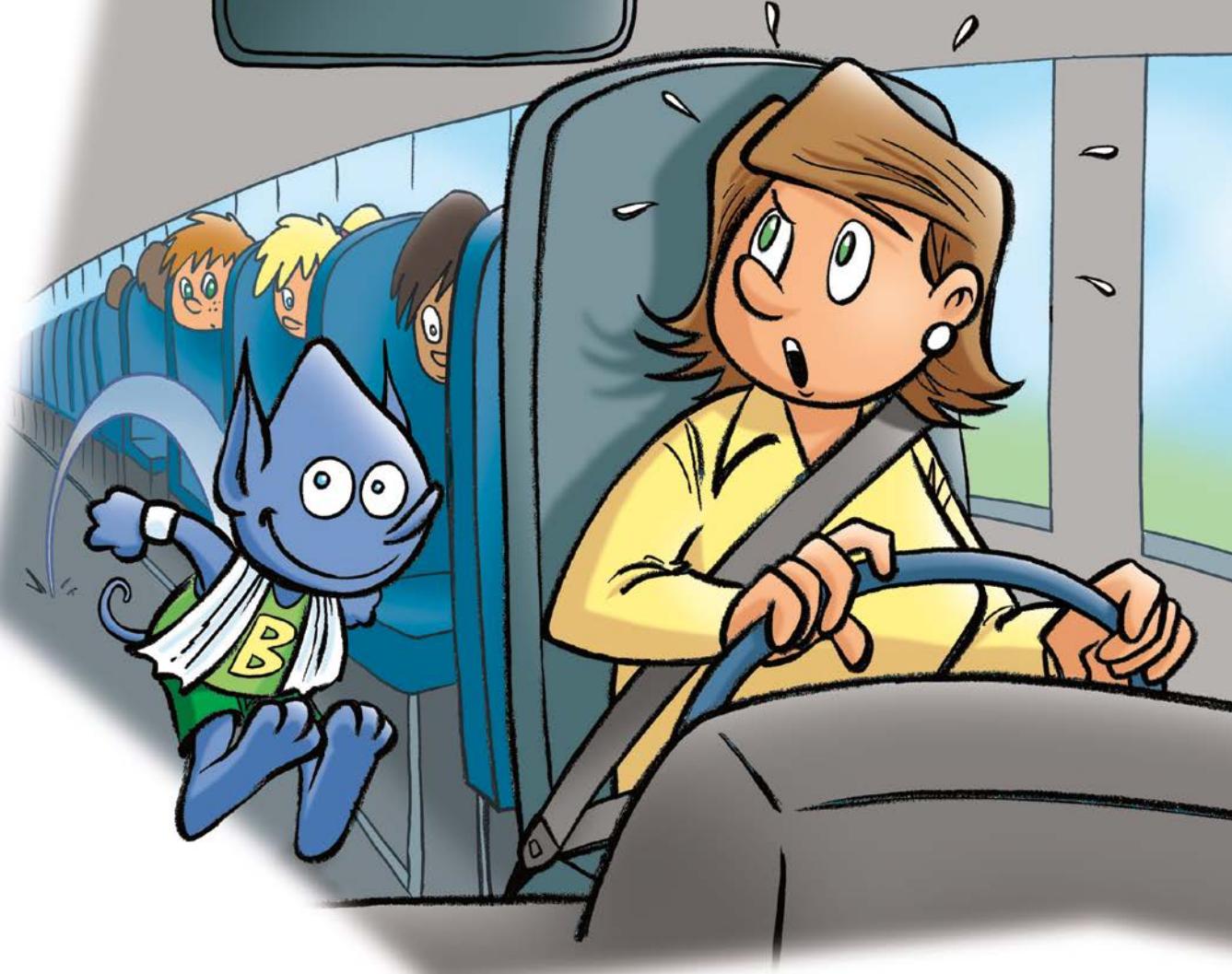
Sam turns to the driver to ask for help. Mrs. Beauregard has seen the whole thing in her rearview mirror.

"My boy," she says to Martin sternly, "I will tolerate no bullying on my bus. Go to your seat immediately and stop annoying your school mates."

*No matter what problem you may have,
ask your driver for help.*

Turn to page 12 for the answer.





The school comes into sight. As soon as Bloop sees it, he jumps from his seat and heads towards the bus driver. Mrs. Beauregard is startled and gives him a stern look.

"Sit down immediately," she orders. "No one is allowed to get up until the bus comes to a complete stop. Bloop, you are to remain with me until everyone else has gotten off the bus."

*Bloop was careless.
What rule did he break?*

Turn to page 12 for the answer.



The bus comes to a stop. The door opens and the children leave the bus calmly. Bloop waits until Mrs. Beauregard says he can join the others.

"Now that you have understood, you can go. Be careful and good luck," she says to Bloop with a wink.

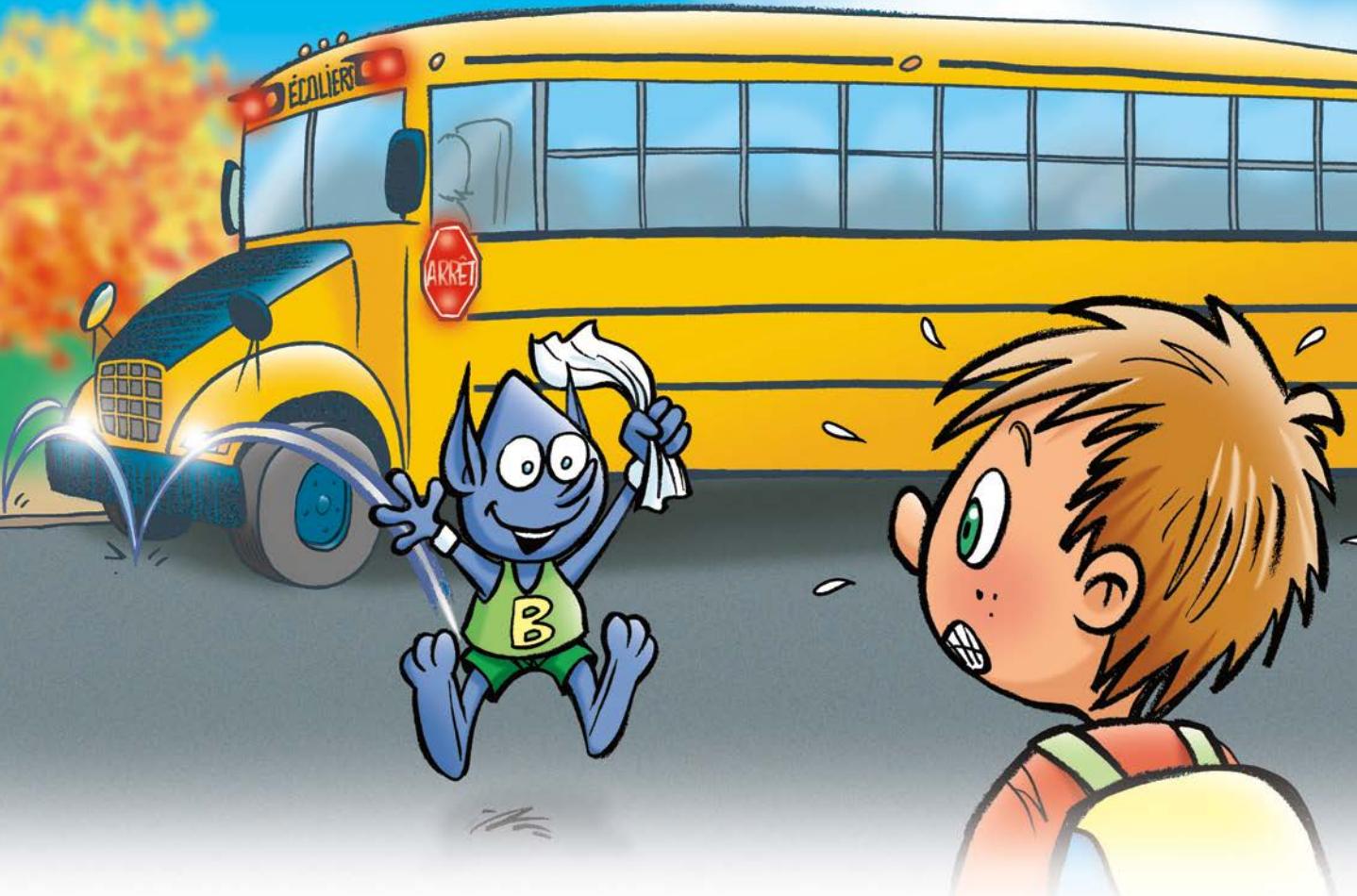


As Bloop steps down onto the sidewalk, a gust of wind blows the towel he has on his shoulders to the ground. The towel lands under the school bus. Without telling the driver, Bloop goes under the bus near the wheel and picks up his towel.



*Bloop is truly an example of carelessness.
What rule did he forget to follow?*

Turn to page 12 for the answer.



Bloop is so anxious to get started, he acts without thinking again. This time, he jumps out in front of the bus where the driver can no longer see him.

With only field day on his mind, he leaps across the street in a single bound. "You're a menace to society!" declares Sam, who is waiting on the other side of the street.

"One day, you could have an accident, and that would be awful", adds Sam out of concern.



Bloop certainly has his head in the clouds. It takes him only a few seconds to break which three safety rules?

Turn to page 12 for the answer.

In the school yard, everything has been set up for field day. Students are divided into teams and the events begin.

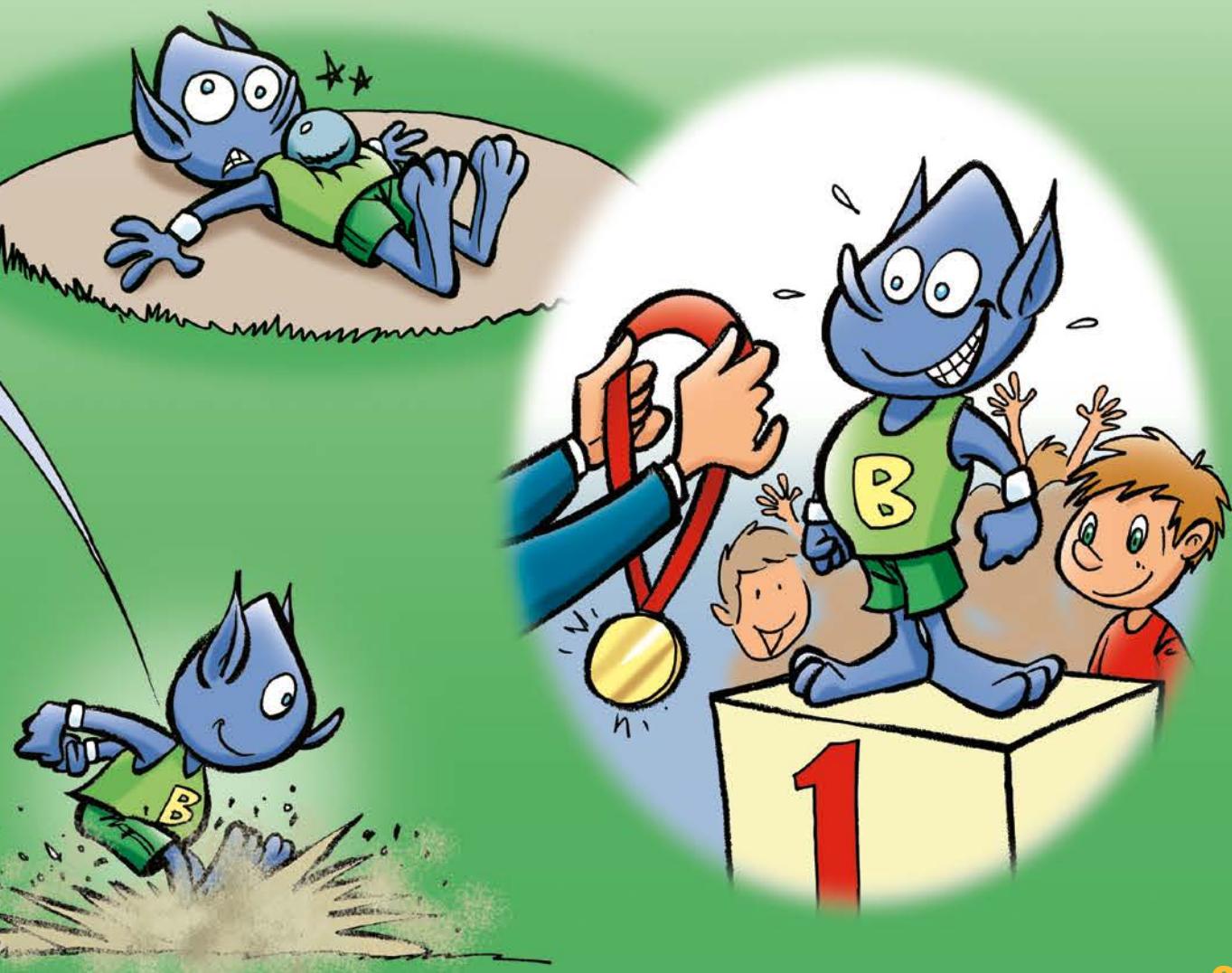
During the race, Bloop quickly catches up to everyone. The shot put event is hard, and the relay race ends... a little badly. But in the long jump event, no one can beat Bloop and he wins!



The students have certainly had an enjoyable day! Everyone has done their best. Now it's time for the medals ceremony.

A number of competitors receive awards and are warmly applauded. Bloop, the winner of the long jump event, goes to the podium to receive his gold medal.

"Hurray! Hurray!" shouts Sam from the crowd, where cheers ring out for all the winners.





Bloop is very happy. He can't wait to show his gold medal to Mrs. Beauregard when he gets on the bus to go home.

"Oh! Congratulations!" she exclaims in surprise.

"I didn't realize you were so good at long jump," she adds jokingly. "Now go take your seat and remain quiet. One thing is certain; you always come out ahead when you follow school bus safety rules."

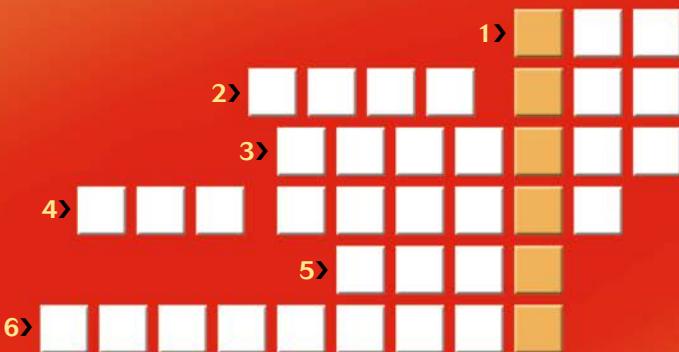


Games

Do not write anything in this book! If you need to, write your answers on a separate sheet.

1 Mystery word

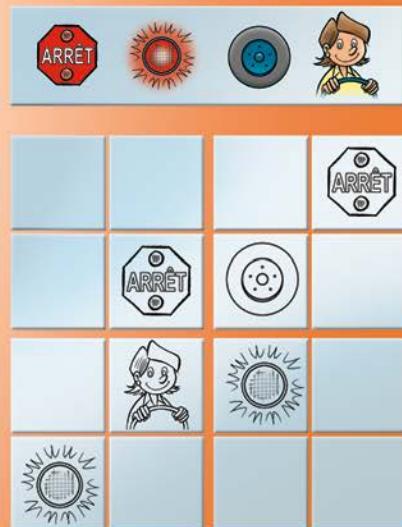
Find the word associated with each definition, then enter it in the grid. Once you finish, the **mystery word** will appear.



- 1> I am one of the characters in the book.
- 2> I am red and I can stick out from the side of the bus. I am one of the devices that tell all vehicles following or approaching the bus to stop.
- 3> The wheels of the bus are very dangerous, so school children have to be very _____.
- 4> I make sure everyone on the bus follows the safety rules.
- 5> The "blind _____" is the area where bus drivers cannot see you in their mirrors.
- 6> If something goes wrong and school children cannot use the front door of the bus, the back door and two windows can be used as _____ exits.

2 Sudoku-Quattro

Place each of these drawings in the boxes so that no drawing is found twice on the same line, in the same column, or in the same (4 box) square. Here are the symbols you must use to complete the Sudoku-Quattro:



3 Mirror

Look in Bloop's mirror to find **eight mistakes**.





Read the following safety rules

I go to the bus stop early to avoid running.

I stay in line to wait for the bus without shoving others. [\(Answer to page 2\)](#)

I wait until the bus has come to a full stop before approaching it.

I get on the bus in single file and hold onto the handrail.

I go straight to my seat and sit down. [\(Answer to page 3\)](#)

I leave nothing in the aisle. [\(Answer to page 3\)](#)

I avoid distracting the driver.

I keep my things in my bag.

I keep my head and my arms inside the bus at all times.

I do not throw food or other things out the window or onto the floor of the bus.

I remain seated at all times until the bus has come to a full stop.
[\(Answer to page 5\)](#)

I move away from the bus as soon as I get off and I stay away from the wheels.
[\(Answer to page 6\)](#)

I count ten steps after getting off the bus before crossing in front.
[\(Answer to page 7\)](#)

I make sure the driver has seen me before I cross in front of the bus.
[\(Answer to page 7\)](#)

I walk in front of the bus, then I check for traffic to the left, to the right and to the left again before crossing the street. [\(Answer to page 7\)](#)

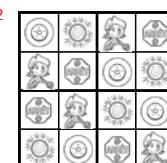
I wait for the driver's okay before trying to recover something I dropped that has rolled under the bus. If I cannot speak to the driver, I wait until the bus has left before picking up the object. [\(Answer to page 6\)](#)

I never go behind a school bus.

Discuss with the teacher the importance of obeying the rules.

Answers to the games on page 11.

1 Sam, Stop arm, Careful, Bus driver, Spot, Emergency. Mystery word: **Safety**



3 Eight mistakes: The line on his ear is missing, his eyes are facing the wrong way, the stripe on the medal ribbon is a different color, his little finger isn't sticking out, the B on his shirt is missing, a line is missing on the medal, the stripe on his shorts is different, and one wristband is missing.



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