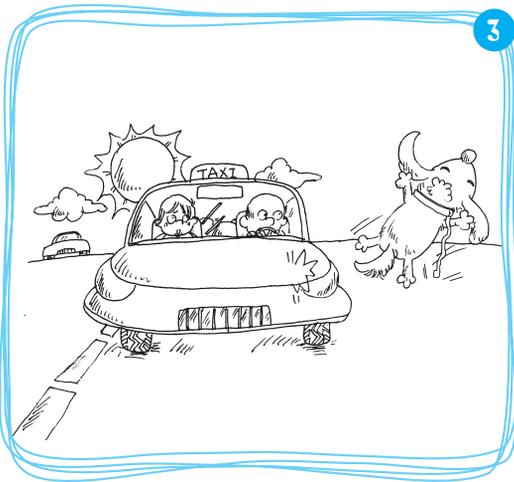
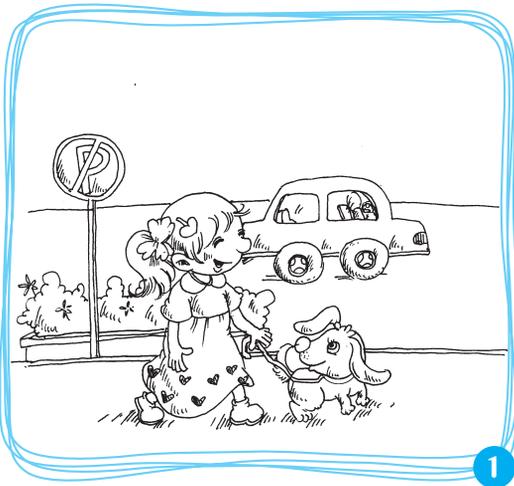


# Theme: Accidents

## An Outing Gone Wrong

Write a story based on the pictures below. Your story should be at least 120 words long. Give your own ending to the story.



## Before You Write



# Basic Story Premise

A girl was walking her puppy along the pavement.



The puppy suddenly dashed across the road.



An oncoming taxi sped towards the puppy.



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## Useful Words and Phrases

- affixed the dog's lead to his collar and led him out of the house
- dashed across the road
- the dog's sudden movement caught her by surprise and she lost her grip on his lead
- a taxi came zooming towards him
- applied his emergency brakes
- screeched to a halt
- limp and lifeless body
- grieving
- mourned the loss of her beloved pet

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Fluffy white clouds drifted across the azure blue sky. It was a perfect day for a walk in the park. Megan decided to take Bingo out to exercise his limbs. The neighbourhood park was a ten-minute walk from home and Megan planned to take Bingo there to accompany her on her stroll. She affixed Bingo's lead to his collar and led him out of the house.

As Megan and Bingo were walking along the pavement of the road on their way to the park, a stray mongrel walked past the pavement on the other side of the road. Seeing Bingo, the mongrel gave a loud bark as if to greet its friend. Both dogs had played together before though Megan's front gate had always been a barrier between them. Excited to meet his playmate in a different setting, Bingo gave a yelp and dashed across the road. Bingo's sudden movement caught Megan by surprise and she lost her grip on his lead.

Just as Bingo was making his way across the road, a taxi came zooming towards him. By the time the driver caught sight of Bingo, he applied his emergency brakes but was unable to stop in time. Poor Bingo was knocked down by the taxi. The driver came down from his vehicle to check on Bingo, as did Megan and the mongrel, who rushed up to Bingo's body. Unfortunately, Bingo did not survive the accident. Megan held on to his limp and lifeless body and wept bitterly. The mongrel stood by Megan's side, mourning the loss of its beloved friend.

As grieving Megan carried Bingo's body home to be buried in her backyard, the mongrel solemnly followed behind her. Even after Megan had laid Bingo to rest, the mongrel continued to hang around Megan. It wore a pitiful look on its face.

As the mongrel did not have a collar around its neck, Megan knew that it was a stray. In a strange way, its presence was a comfort to Megan. It made her feel less lonely since she felt like there was another being who shared in her grief. Megan decided to adopt the mongrel as her new pet. She named him Bingo Junior.

From that day on, Megan and Bingo Junior spent many happy moments together. Strolls in the park continued to be a regular affair for the duo. Megan would like to believe that if there really was such a thing as doggy heaven, Bingo would be looking down upon them happily.