A Before Reading

1 There are two stories in this book.
   (a) Look at the beginning of the first story on page 3.
       What is the weather like?
   (b) Look at the beginning of the second story on page 17.
       What is the weather like?

2 Find these things in the pictures.

   (a) some milk bottles
   (b) a police car
   (c) the gates of a factory
   (d) an oil painting on a wall

B After Reading Each Story

ALARM!

3 Write the information. Use the pictures in the book to help you.

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4 Write another chapter for this story. Write Chapter 5.
   (a) Write the Chapter. Here is the beginning for you.

   Soon Mr Spry and Toby heard a noise. They heard the noise of footsteps on the stairs.
   ‘Mr Spry!’ a voice shouted. ‘Mr Spry, are you there? Are you all right?’

   (b) Give a title to Chapter 5.

   THE CUTTING

5 Toby thought Geoffrey Elliott, the policeman, was George Elton, the bank robber. Why did Toby think this? Give four reasons. Look at page 24 for help.

6 Read page 31 again. Harry says ‘I was talking to him again last night.’ Write the conversation between Harry and Mr Elliott.

C After Reading Both The Stories

7 Read the descriptions. Then join the descriptions to the correct names.

   (a) a man with black hair and a moustache Yellowhead
   (b) a boy with a red cap and a blue jacket Mr Spry
   (c) a man with grey hair, a beard and glasses the big man
   (d) a man with blond hair and a brown jacket Harry
   (e) a man with dark hair, a moustache and glasses Toby
   (f) a man with white hair Geoffrey Elliott

8 Add one more picture to this book. What will be in the picture?

Have you read The Long Tunnel, another Beginner Level Guided Reader in this Series?