

A KING IN NEED

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"Look over there!"

"What is it, Mickey?" said George.

"A king is riding a bicycle."

"It's not a king. That's just a crazy guy dressed in a funny outfit."

"But George, he's got a crown."

"It's just a costume. It's no big deal."

"Maybe there's a reward for helping him."

"He doesn't look like he needs help."

"Are you kidding? He's a king on a bicycle with no guard."

"So, Mickey, do you think he's escaping from his captors?"

"Yeah! See, he's turning our way. We need to be cool."

"Whatever, Mickey."

"Sir. Can I help you?"

"Yes, I need to know where I can find my knights in shining armor," said the king.

"My name is Mickey, sir. Could I be your knight in jeans overalls until we find the real knights?"

Ker clop, ker clop, ker clop. (knights riding up on horses)

"Oh here they are. I must have just missed their rescue. Kind knights, please reward this find young lad with a few gold pieces for his willingness to help."

"Thanks, sir. I'll remember this always."

Mickey turns to George. "See. I told you he was a king riding a bicycle."

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5. Did the king find what he wanted?
6. What did the king do once he found what he was looking for?
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Follow Up Questions And Answers

1. What are the names of the two boys? *Mickey and George*
2. What is the argument about between the two boys? *They are arguing about whether the man is a king in need or not.*
3. Who is riding the bicycle? *The king in need is riding the bicycle.*
4. What did the king want to find? *The king wants to find his knights in shining armor.*
5. Did the king find what he wanted? *Yes, the knights in shining armor did arrive.*
6. What did the king do once he found what he was looking for? *He gave Mickey a reward for being so willing to be helpful.*
7. Why did Mickey make the last comment to George? *Because Mickey was right and George was wrong and there was proof.*