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# Case File #1

## Baseball Blues

First, read the four paragraphs. Next, answer the question connected to each clue. Then, try to find who was committed the crime.



## Case of the Baseball Blues

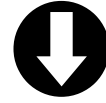
Mr. Andrews is really mad. He flew out of his house a few minutes ago after he heard the sound of glass breaking. Now he is staring at a group of kids from the neighborhood. Jimmy, Andrew, Henry, and Tad look nervously at Mr. Andrews. Shana, Julie, and Georgia look down at the ground. "Who did this?" he yells. "Just look at my window!" No one answers.



### CLUE #1

Why is Mr. Andrews angry?

Your answer for clue #1



He was angry because

The kids in the neighborhood had all been outside playing. The sun was shining for the first time in two days, and everyone was tired of being cooped up inside. Shana held her jump rope in her hands. Before the cracking glass sound, she had been practicing in the driveway. Julie and Georgia, the twins from two houses down, had chalk all over their hands. They love to draw in the driveway and were working on a mural of a magical forest. There was green chalk from one of the trees on Georgia's shorts.



### CLUE #2

What were Shana, Julie and Georgie doing?

Your answer for clue #2



Shana was

Julie and Georgia were

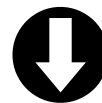
"Can someone explain how this baseball ended up in my living room?" asked Mr. Andrews. He glared at the group of boys. Jimmy, Andrew, Henry and Tad hid their baseball gloves behind their backs. Andrew gulped. He hadn't meant to throw such an easy pitch to the batter. The batter had swung so hard and sent the baseball flying high over the fence. The ball was headed right towards Mr. Andrews' house before they all heard the cracking sound.



### CLUE #3

Do you think Andrew broke the window?

Your answer for clue #3



Yes/no because

Suddenly, Henry's Dad came running across the street. He was carrying the baseball bat. "Did you see that hit, boys? That's how to hit a ball!" exclaimed Henry's Dad. "Why do all of you kids look nervous anyway," Henry's Dad asked. "Hi there, Mr. Andrews! What's going on?"



### CLUE #4

What was Henry's dad holding in his hands?

Your answer for clue #4



Henry's dad was holding a

# Who broke window?

Why do you say this? Explain your answer.