

## Inferential Comprehension Instructions

### THE BURGLAR STORY

Present the picture.

Say: **What do we call someone who goes into other people's houses and steals things?**  
(Expected response: burglar or robber.)

If the child does not respond, say: **We can call them a 'burglar'.**

Say: **So when a burglar does that, we call it a 'burglary'. There was a burglary in this house last night. The police need to find out who did it. There are some clues in this picture. Look at the picture and listen – I'm going to tell you some useful things.**

Say: **The family called the police station, and the police went round to see what had happened. The house looked normal from the front, but at the back of the house the kitchen window was broken. A bit of white material was hanging off the broken glass. Inside the kitchen, there were muddy footprints on the floor and a brick under the window. There were also a few drops of blood on the floor.**

**'Has anything been stolen?' the police asked the family.**

**'Only my watch – I left it by the sink' said the father.**

**The neighbour said she had heard breaking glass. She had also heard the dog barking and growling, and someone shouting 'Ow!'.**

Leave the picture on the table for the child to refer to. Start the subtest with the PRACTICE ITEM, using the questions and prompts in the Record Booklet.





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