

1 Linda and the Flags

Jim's sister, Linda, is in the Red Cross.

She is a cadet.

Linda dresses as a Red Cross Cadet.

The Red Cross has a flag-day.

Linda has a lot of flags to sell. Linda checks the flags.

She has a hundred to sell.

Mum hangs the box with the flags in it on Linda's neck.

Linda sells flags to Mum and Dad.

Dad drops a dollar in the tin and Linda pins a flag in his jacket.

Dad yells as the pin sticks in his chest.

Then Linda runs off to sell the flags at the bus-stop.

Linda sells the flags from ten till twelve at the bus-stop and collects a lot of cash.

A man drops a dollar in the tin.

The tin chinks.

It is getting filled up.

Linda sticks a flag in the man's jacket.

Linda's Gran gets off a bus at the bus-stop.

She has a chat with Linda and gets a flag.

Linda checks the flags.

She tells Gran that she has just six flags left to sell.

Gran has gone and the bunch of big lads from the park runs along and stops next to Linda.

The biggest lad drops a button in the tin and tells Linda she must give him the six flags.

Linda will not. She grips the box.

The big lad insists that Linda gives him the flags to give to his gang.

"I dropped a dollar in the tin," he tells Linda.

The rest of the gang grins.

Linda tells him he did not and she will not give him the flags.

Then the big lad rips the box from Linda's neck and grabs the tin as well and runs off to the park with his gang.

Linda runs back to the flat in a panic and bumps into Jim and his friends.

She tells them that the big lads from the park have run off with the tin and the flags.

She is sobbing. Jim tells Linda not to get upset.

He will get the tin back.

As Linda runs to tell Dad, Jim gets Gus.

"Gus is a smashing tracking dog," Jim tells his pals. The lads set off to hunt the big lads on the park.

The lads run to the windmill.

Gus thinks tracking is such fun.

He dashes off.

Jim yells, "Back, Gus!"

But Gus has gone off yelping.

At the end of the track they spot the big lads sitting on a log in the pit next to the windmill.

Jim and Cliff go up to the big lads.

Jim clenches his fists.

Jim tells the big lads to give back the Red Cross tin.

Jim clenches his fists as he expects to get hit.

But the big lad just grins.

He tells Jim that he has not got the tin.

The rest of his gang get off the log and gang up with him and grin at Jim.

"Get lost," the biggest lad tells Jim.

Jim and Cliff run back to Mick and Ted.

"I reckon that gang have hidden the tin," Jim tells them.

"Give us the tin back," he yells at the big lads.

"It's a rotten trick to pinch it from the Red Cross."

The big lads then rush in to attack Jim and his friends.

Jim wishes that Gus had not dashed off.

The biggest lad sits on Jim and punches him on the chest.

Cliff is in a clinch and he is getting his hand twisted.

A big lad punches Ted on the chin.

Mick is getting punched in the ribs.

Jim and his friends are in a fix.

Then Jim and his pals are in luck as Jim's Dad runs up.

The big lad stops punching Jim and runs off with the rest of his gang across the park.

Dad helps Jim up and brushes the dust off his jacket.

Then Gus trots up.

Jim tells him he is a rotten tracking dog.

But Gus trots up to the log that the big lads sat on and sniffs and digs.

Gus yelps.

The gang spots a tin. It is Linda's Red Cross tin.

Jim digs up the tin; it still has the cash in it.

Dad gives Gus a pat and he tells him that his sniffing is brilliant. He tells Jim and his friends that they were brave in getting Linda's Red Cross tin back.

Back at the flats Linda hugs Jim as she gets the tin back.

Gus gets a hug as well.