

SCENE 1
Stranger Danger

(It's a balmy day in the city, a summer breeze whistling through the trees. The sky is cloudless and blue, empty save for a few birds straying from their pack. An ice cream truck's bell calls fondly out to a throng of children swarming out of the red brick building after the last day.

Chutki scans the crowd for her parents, but can't spot them. The pink flowers on her skirt blend into the bush behind her as she perches on the staircase to wait, fiddling with her braids. She waits until the entire schoolyard empties out, leaving her the only second-grader there.

After about forty-five minutes passes, Chutki stands and hoists her backpack up onto her shoulders. Giving the parking lot one last look, she begins her walk home, the directions embedded in her memory from the daily drives. She passes by the familiar neighborhood, spotting the yellowing building through which they always take a left turn.

The road she turns into is desolate, hooded by green trees on each side, sheltered into a dark shade. In her dad's car, she's never been afraid of it, but now the place seems huge and frightening. It looms over her head, Chutki taking small frantic steps past the place.

When a car pulls up beside her, Chutki flinches back in alarm. It's as ordinary a car as cars get: A white SUV with a dent on the side and a crack in the headlights. The window is rolled down, a man sticking his head out the window with a kind smile. A checkered dress shirt is buttoned up to his chin, his face clean-shaven and teeth pearly-white. Hooking an elbow outside the window, he leans down to her.)

Pedo Dude: Hello, dear. What are you doing here alone?"

Chutki: I'm going home.

Pedo Dude: Isn't your mom with you?

Chutki: No. She didn't come to pick me up at school.

Pedo Dude: What's her name?

Chutki: Tuntun.

Pedo Dude: Oh! I know your mom! We are very good friends. I can drive you home.

(Pedo Dude leans over to prop the door open, gazing at a confused Chutki with a gentle invitation. He doesn't look harmful. Should she accept his offer?)

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Yes.

(Chutki climbs into the car, and Pedo guy closes it behind her. YA GET KIDNAPPED!)

Wise Old Safety Guy: You should never get into a stranger's car. Even though they seem nice, they could hurt you. Always find an adult and stay safe.

SCENE 1.2

Decline and walk away.

(Pedo Dude chases after her, catches Chutki and puts her in the car. YA GET KIDNAPPED!)

Wise Old Safety Guy: If you are alone in a place, harmful people can harm you. Run to safety and find help.

SCENE 1.3

Run away and find help.

(Chutki runs away from Pedo Dude, into a place where there's a lot of people. And finds a teacher or policeman or family member that can help her. GOOD JOB NOT GETTING KIDNAPPED!)