Did George get anything for his fifty pence?

What?

Children always appreciate small gifts of money.

Mum or dad, of course, provides a regular supply of pocket money, but uncles and aunts are always a source of extra income.

With some children, small sums go a long way.

If fifty pence pieces are not exchanged for sweets, they rattle for months inside money boxes.

Only very thrifty children manage to fill up a money box.

For most of them, fifty pence is a small price to pay for a nice big bar of chocolate.

My nephew, George, has a money box, but it is always empty.

Very few of the fifty pence pieces and pound coins I have given him have found their way there.

I gave him fifty pence yesterday and advised him to save it.

Instead, he bought himself fifty pence worth of trouble.

On his way to the sweet shop, he dropped his fifty pence and it bounced along the pavement and then disappeared down a drain.

George took off his jacket, rolled up his sleeves, and pushed his right arm through the drain cover.

He could not find his fifty pence piece anywhere, and what is more, he could not get his arm out.

A crowd of people gathered round him and a lady rubbed his arm with soap and butter, but George was firmly stuck.

The fire brigade was called and two fire fighters freed George using a special type of grease.

George was not too upset by his experience because the lady who owns the sweet shop heard about his troubles and rewarded him with a large box of chocolates.

George was going to the sweet shop when he lost fifty pence down a drain.

After removing his jacket, he put his arm through the drain cover.

He couldn't find his money and couldn't get his arm out.

A crowd of people gathered round him and a lady rubbed his arm with soap and butter.

She failed to free him, but two firemen succeeded with a special type of grease.

The sweet shop owner presented George with a large box of chocolates.

I was walking along the street when I saw a crowd ahead of me.

I could bear people shouting and making a noise.

On arriving at the scene, I saw a small boy on the pavement with his arm in a drain cover.

A lady carrying a large bar of soap and a saucepan of water knelt down beside the boy.

She asked the boy if he was in pain and he said he wasn't.

Then she rubbed his arm with butter, but he couldn't get it free.

Meanwhile, someone had telephoned the fire brigade.

The boy had begun to cry, but when he saw the firemen, he cheered up.

At first, the firemen decided to cut through the drain cover, but they changed their minds and rubbed the boy's arm with a special type of grease.

The boy was soon free and though his arm hurt, he was smiling.

John is very busy, but I was able to speak to him on the phone yesterday.

Could you help me with this suitcase, please?

I got a taxi and just managed to catch the last train home.

We drove up to the farmhouse.

The children ran up the garden path to greet their father.

I didn't like my composition, so I tore it up.

He has built up a large collection of stamps.

If I can save up enough money.

I shall go abroad.

The steamboat sailed up the river.

It was very cold, so I buttoned up my coat before going out.

Eat up what is on your plate and I'll give you some more.

I went up to a policeman and asked him the way to the station.

He wrapped the fish up in a piece of newspaper.

My watch has stopped because I forgot to wind it up.

It takes children a long time to learn how to do up their shoelaces.

What do most children do with the money they are given? They go straight to a sweet shop and spend it.

When the writer gave him fifty pence, George set out for the sweet shop, but lost it on his way.

Once the firefighters had come to George's rescue, George had his arm greased and was able to get it out of the drain.

Fifty pence is not much. to pay for a bar of chocolate.

I gave him fifty pence yesterday and advised him he should save it.

He was going to the sweet shop when he dropped his fifty pence.

He could not find his fifty pence anywhere, nor could he get his arm out.

A lady put soap and butter on his arm.

With some children, small sums last a long time.

George was well and truly stuck.

George was not too distressed by his experience.