

# Literacy World Comets Stage 1: Greenfinger and Other Mysteries Guided Reading Card

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Stage 1

**Title:** Greenfinger and Other Mysteries

**Authors:** Keith Brumpton, Marjorie Darke, Jonathan Allen

**Year:** 3 **Genre:** Mystery Stories

**Summaries**

**Greenfinger:**  
 Sheriff Eastwood gets reports of killer vegetables attacking local people, but he doesn't believe them. Holly and Mike decide to investigate. Short-sighted Mrs Klotz is their first witness. Mike dismisses her story, but then they see a giant runner bean dragging her away. Following a lead, they set off for the chemical factory and are just in time to see the manager being swallowed by a giant radish. Holly finds a story on the Internet about Greenfinger (Larry Hosepipe) who felt insulted by second prize in the vegetable show. Holly and Mike discover that he has created giant vegetables for revenge. Before he is brought to justice, a giant slug falls on Greenfinger and gobbles him up.

**In the Middle of the Night**  
 Things are unnaturally quiet on the farm. Foot-and-mouth disease has meant that all the livestock have been destroyed. Now various household objects are missing, and no one can explain why. That night, Kate is woken by a noise and sees her brother Tom sneaking out to the barn. She follows him, and discovers he has rescued a fawn. That's why he had been taking things from the house, and he kept it a secret in case the fawn would be destroyed. Their parents find them in the barn, and Kate and Tom beg to keep the animal. In the morning, news arrives that the foot-and-mouth ban has been lifted – life is returning to the farm again.

**The Case of the One-Legged Kangaroo**  
 Mrs Goose's state-of-the-art video has been stolen. Damien Duck (amateur detective) and his sidekick Borage investigate. They examine a flowerbed and find one footprint. Next they find a collection of objects: empty cans, crisp packets and an old sock. They try to piece the evidence together. Perhaps a one-legged kangaroo stole the video while eating bags of crisps and guzzling cans of fizzy drinks. Just then a policeman arrives and apprehends the real burglar – a cat carrying the stolen video under his arm.

**Primary Framework Objectives:**

**Y1 strand 1:** Sustain conversation, explain or give reasons for their views or choices

**Y1 strand 7:** Infer characters' feelings in fiction and consequences in logical explanations

**Y1 strand 8:** Identify features that writers use to provoke readers' reactions

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