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Reading Comprehension Story

The Missing Painting

Read the text below and answer the question!

In the small town of Willow Creek, the local art gallery was hosting a special exhibition. One of the most famous paintings in the collection, The Golden Sunset, had attracted visitors from all over the region. However, on the morning of the grand opening, the gallery director discovered that the painting was missing.

Detective Harris was called to solve the case. He carefully examined the empty frame on the wall and noticed a small piece of torn fabric caught on a nail. The fabric looked like it came from a dark blue jacket.

After interviewing the gallery staff, Detective Harris learned that a delivery worker wearing a blue jacket had been seen near the gallery the previous evening. The worker claimed he was dropping off a package, but the security cameras showed no such delivery.

Harris visited the worker's home and found a locked storage room. With a warrant, he opened the door and discovered the painting wrapped in cloth, hidden behind some boxes. The worker admitted to stealing it, hoping to sell it for a large sum of money.

The painting was safely returned to the gallery just in time for the exhibition, and the townspeople praised Detective Harris for his quick work. The worker was arrested, and The Golden Sunset became even more famous after the incident.

QUESTIONS

1. Where was the special exhibition being held?

2. What was the name of the famous painting that went missing?

3. What clue did Detective Harris find near the empty frame?

4. What color was the fabric found by the detective?

5. Who was seen near the gallery the night before the painting was stolen?

6. Where was the painting found?

7. What did the thief plan to do with the stolen painting?

8. What happened to the painting after it was recovered?