

Hearsay Quiz

Natalie Neighbor was planning on taking an extended vacation, so she asked her friend and neighbor, Always Alert, to watch her house and collect her mail. Of course, Always agreed to help her friend.

Natalie had an alarm system to protect her house. Before she left, Natalie gave Always the key to her house and the security code.

After Natalie had been gone a few days, Always happened to look out the window at Natalie's house. She saw a man jump the fence and enter Natalie's back yard. He was wearing a red t-shirt. Always grabbed her phone and called 911

Always continued to watch the man and described his conduct to the 911 operator. She saw the man try the garage door and then approach the house. The man pulled something from his pocket and broke a window. The shattered glass set off the alarm, and the man fled. Always saw the man jump the fence on the far side of the house and disappear from sight. Always related everything to the 911 operator, including the fact that he jumped the fence.

Startled Stephanie had just walked out her back door when she heard the alarm coming from Natalie Neighbor's house. She looked in that direction and saw a man jump the fence and come into her backyard.

Before she could do anything the man pointed a gun at her and said, "Don't move or I will shoot you." Startled noticed that the man had blood on his right hand.

The man ran towards the front of the house and headed down the street. Startled followed him from a safe distance. When she saw the police car, she ran up to the officer and pointed to the fleeing suspect. "There he goes," she said.

A second squad was approaching in the opposite direction, and the chase was short-lived. The fleeing suspect was taken into custody and advised of his rights.

The police asked for his name, and the suspect said "Thomas Brown." The police asked for his date of birth, and he said "February 29, 1996." The police later learned that the name and date of birth were false. His true name was Barney Burglar.

The police noticed that Barney had a bloody cut on his right hand. When asked, Barney said that he cut himself shaving.

Barney Burglar has been charged with the attempted burglary of the house owned by Natalie Neighbor. He has entered a plea of not guilty, and the matter is set for trial.