

Unit 5

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Making a Story Map

The Case of the Ruby Earrings

Characters

- Dr. Bannerfield, Susannah Bannerfield, Detective Talia Hitchcock, Officer Dirk Magee, Fang, the butler.
- Dog's name is Fang; "vicious bite," "bark loud enough to wake anyone".

Setting

- Mansion of the richest couple in the town of Harper's Landing.
- "burglar jimmied the lock on the window," "in an uproar".

Problem

- Someone has stolen Susannah's ruby earrings.
- "earrings were so valuable".



Events

- Police are called to the house; Hitchcock arrives at the house (Magee is already there); Magee fills Hitchcock in; police find out the house has no alarm because they rely on Fang to alert them to intruders; Butler was awake all night and the dog didn't bark; police discover couple is in financial trouble; Hitchcock arrests Dr. Bannerfield for the theft because the dog wouldn't have barked at someone he knew.
- "burglary took place at midnight," "burglar jimmied the lock on the window," "pinching pennies but buying ruby earrings".



Solution

- Dr. Bannerfield stole the earrings to get the insurance money.
- "pinching pennies but buying ruby earrings".