

HEALTH AND SAFETY SECTION

A Policeman Goes to School

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*Stop!*

ONE Monday morning there was a knock at the schoolroom door.

Pedro went to the door.

There was Officer Jolly.

"Come in," said Pedro. "We are very glad to see you."

"Good morning, boys and girls," said Officer Jolly.

"Good morning, Officer Jolly," said all the children.

"Have you come to scold us?" asked little Maria.

"Oh, no!" said Officer Jolly. "I have come to help you.

"Sometimes you do not get up when Mother calls you in the morning.

"Sometimes you do not dress quickly.

"Then you hurry to school.

"You do not cross the street carefully.

"You run in front of automobiles."

He held up his hand in a stop signal.

"What does that mean?" he asked.

"That means STOP," said all the children.

"What does that mean?" he asked.

"That means GO," said all the children.

"Now I'm sure that you know the signals," said Officer Jolly. "Will you be very careful to obey them?"

"We'll try," answered the children. "We do not want to be hurt. Thank you, Officer Jolly."

READ AND ANSWER

1. Why did Officer Jolly visit the school?
2. Has a policeman ever visited your school?
3. Were the children glad to see the policeman?
4. What did he tell them about crossing the street carefully?
5. Why did he say children should obey signals?
6. Show what he said is a stop signal.
7. How does the policeman signal to go?
8. What did the children tell Officer Jolly they would try to do after that?
9. Were they polite to the officer?
10. How do you know?

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