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The Metal Detector



Illustrated by Linda Lee and Written by You.

MY GOSH, WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?



The Metal Detector

THE END.



Written by You.

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IS SHE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING PERHAPS? WHAT DO YOU THINK SHE'S LOOKING FOR?









happening just by looking at the pictures and then by writing in your own new story on the big empty space on each page where the lost story was supposed to be.

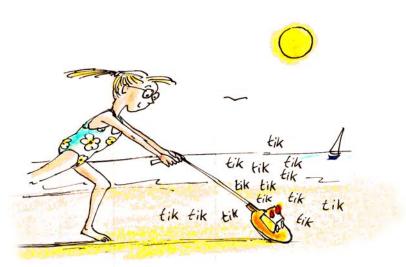
Then everyone who reads the book after that will know what the heck is going on.

So that's it, then. Get out your writing pen and good luck.

Starting with the next page and right on through the rest of the book, the exciting new story of *The Metal Detector* is all up to you.

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WAIT A MINUTE – NOW WHAT'S HAPPENING? WHAT'S GOT THE TIK-TIK MACHINE SO EXCITED? AND WHY IS THE BOY LAUGHING?



THIS LOOKS LIKE TROUBLE.
WHAT IS HE THINKING ABOUT ANYWAY?

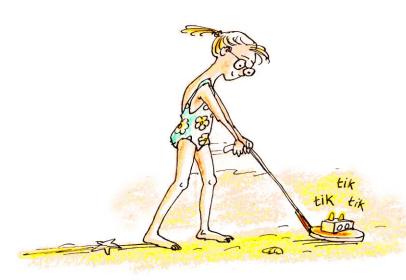


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DID YOU SEE THAT? WHAT WAS THAT HE JUST DROPPED ONTO THE SAND

RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE TIK-TIK GIRL? WHAT THE HECK IS HE UP TO?





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ou know, this could be a really exciting story once you write it. Yep, something really strange is happening here. You see Linda Lee, the world famous illustrator who lives in Amsterdam, sent us all the *pictures* for this book.

But somehow, she told us, her dog ate the actual *story*. So now what do we do?

Here we have all the pictures, but no story. What a mess. But then we thought, wait a minute!

Maybe you could figure out what's



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NOW WHO'S THAT BOY,
AND WHAT'S HE DOING ON THE BEACH?

WHAT'S THE GIRL DOING NOW?
WHY IS SHE DIGGING SO HARD LIKE THAT?
WHAT'S SHE LOOKING FOR?



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International KBN author/illustrator Linda Lee is an extraordinary artist whose work can be charmingly innocent one moment and sharply complex the next.

Living in Amsterdam, Holland, with her husband Hans and twelve feral parrots, she does not deny that the Little Girl in The Metal Detector might be autobiographical as she wakes up every morning to undertake her own next journey into the unknown.

What new surprise is waiting to be discovered today? Linda Lee's witty illustrations grace literally hundreds of picture books, educational books, magazines, games, puzzles, biting political commentaries and much more. A visit to her website at www.lindalee.nl offers a delightful exploration of the visually unexpected.

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WHUPS! NOW WHAT'S THAT SHE'S PULLING OUT OF THE SAND?