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Mr. Lopez



Marcy



Roberto



Gemma



Toocool



Tony



Simon



Dan



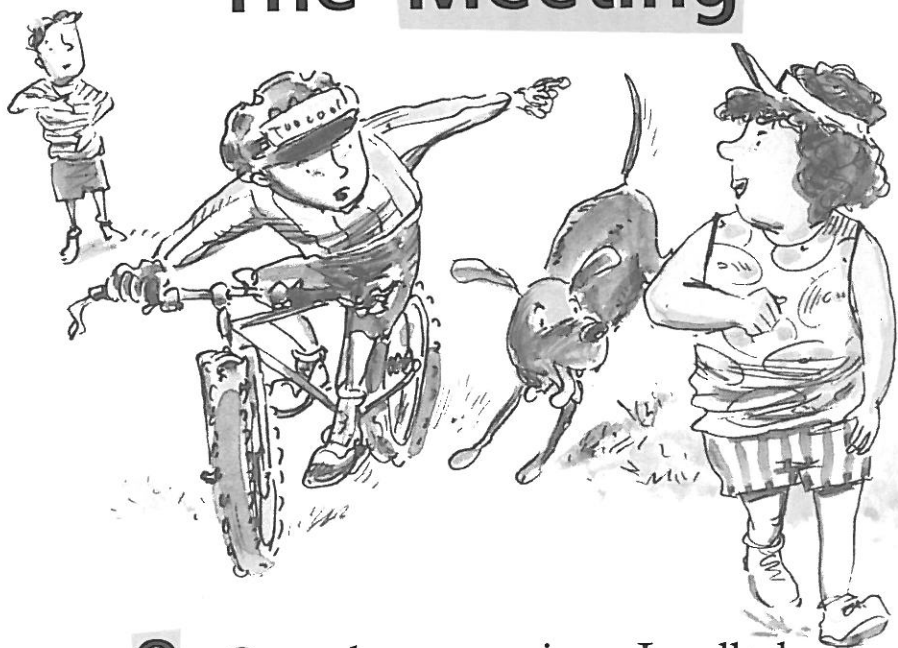
Eddie



Dog

Chapter 1

The Meeting



On Saturday morning, I called an urgent meeting. Some kids from a nearby town wanted to play a game of soccer against us. The game would be played in Toocool Park.

We had a week to get ready.

Marcy said she would be captain. I thought I should be captain, but I kept my mouth shut. I didn't want to upset Marcy. She's almost as good at soccer as I am.

Eddie was in a hurry—he wanted to get some lunch. He agreed to play any position.



Dan was nervous. He said we needed more practice. Roberto said Dan was a worrywart. Roberto said legends are always ready to play.

Simon put extra oil on his wheels. He was ready for the game of his life.

That left Dog. All he wanted to do was run around and sniff the trees. He wouldn't be much help.

