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#3: SHOWTIME!

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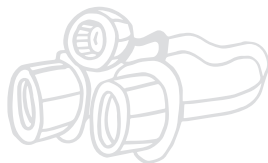
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CHAPTER ONE



Dance Class

THIS is the coolest thing ever!” Javier yelled with excitement.

I sat down next to him on the floor of his living room and nodded in agreement. It *was* cool.

“Magnifying glass—check. Binoculars—check.” Javier pointed to each of the tools that came in his brand-new spy kit.

“Walkie-talkies—check. Night-vision goggles—check. It’s all here! This. Is. Awesome.”

I know what you're thinking. We lost the costume contest at the Halloween Festival—so how did Javier get a spy kit? His parents got it for him! Javier's parents told all of us that they were proud of him for doing something *constructive*. Like being part of our reporting team and working hard to solve cases. So they decided to buy him the spy kit as a reward!

“Hey, look,” Sophia said, pointing, “it also has a flashlight and a detective badge.”

“And it's going to help us solve even more mysteries!” I added.

“Thanks, guys,” Javier said as he put the night-vision goggles on his head.

“I don't get it. What's so great about a spy kit?” asked Shakira. She was with us at Javier's house because afterward we were going to walk to our dance class together.



“Spy kits are awesome,” Javier answered. “There’s so much you can do. Look, these are the night-vision goggles. Watch this.” Javier turned off the lights in his living room.

“Hey!” his mother yelled from the hallway. “Who turned out the lights?”

“Whoa.” Javier chuckled as he looked around the room. “I can see everything. I can even read what’s on the chalkboard in the kitchen! This is awesome.”