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Dear Uncle Ricki

WHIPPET WAKES UP GEOFFREY

Dear Uncle Ricki,
I would like to tell you about my pet hamster. Her name is Cindy. It is only two months old and is a pure golden Syrian, with golden fur, black round eyes and a small tail. I also have a whippet and I'm sure it would

like to eat it.
Every time I say "Cindy" the dog runs and goes to its cage to see if it's there.

Sometimes I let it run about the floor when the dog is not there. It is a very fast runner and hard to keep a hold of.

Cindy loves to be running about on the floor, but when I put it back in the cage it nibbles away at the wires trying to get out.

I feed it twice a day with hamster food and water or milk to drink.
It sleeps most of the day and comes out at night.

I clean its cage out once every week and put clean sawdust and wood shavings in.

I have mentioned my dog, it is a whippet. She is seven years old and only kept as a pet as we do not race her. She is fawn and white with brown eyes.

When she was three year's old she had a litter of puppies. There were six in all. One of the puppies died shortly after it was born.

When she was about two year's old, she got out into the street and ran across the road, a bus came past and knocked her down and chipped a piece of her ear off.

I take her out quite often and feed her. She is very healthy and fit. She also wakes me up every morning before I go to school, then goes into my own bed when I do go to school.

I am very fond of both my pets and would not part with them for anything.

GEOFFREY COATES
125 Easedale Gardens,
Low Fell.
● Thanks for your letter Geoffrey. It wins my £2 prize this week. Perhaps you might buy your two pets a little treat out of it.

Birds took pretty wool for nests

Dear Uncle Ricki,
I would like to tell you about my Aunty

One day she was hoovering all the dogs hair off the carpet and when she had finished she put all the dogs hair on top of the bin.
Later on she looked out of the window and she saw some birds take the hair away and build their nest with it.

So she put some pink, white and blue wool on top of the bin and they took that away too.

Some birds must have very pretty nests in Gateshead

JOANNE C. WILLIAMSON
40 Armstrong Street,
Gateshead.

P.S. Please look out for these nests.

● Your letter wins 50p. I bet the nests are warm as well as pretty.

Military Day enjoyed by Alison

Dear Uncle Ricki,
I think your Junior Post Page is a very good idea and I especially like the readers letters.

I would like to tell you about the great time I had on Military Day at Saltwell Park.

I enjoyed watching the divers, Bill and Alan, and also the men and boys in the boats.

My younger brother and sister went on the Noddy Train which I think was a very good idea as it was only about 1p a ride, and the money went to charity.

I am looking forward to Military Day next year.

ALISON BROWN
66 Hendon Road,
Deckham,
Gateshead.

P.S. My sister, Julie-Anne got her letter printed last week on the Junior Post Page. I hope you will print my letter.

Pop scene

Clash I Fought the Law (CBS): The best version of this song for quite a long time, it shows how far The Clash have moved ahead of the rest of the 'punk' field. The B side was planned to be Capitol Radio, but this has been dropped in favour of Strummer Jones song 'Gates of the West', which is good enough for an A side. This should be top five.

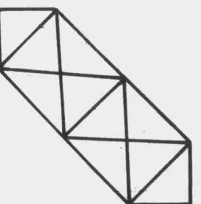
Johnny Nash Wonderful Woman (Epic): After quite a while out of the charts Johnny Nash sadly tries to get back the easy way by doing a disco single. Written and produced by Van McCoy it lacks the real disco feel trying for the mellower side like the Commodores ballads. Unfortunately ends up being rather bland.

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PUZZLE CORNER

DRAWING

Can you draw the figure shown below without lifting your pencil from the paper or going over any line twice? (Crossing lines is allowed, of course.)



Humpty Dumpty

Our village pantomime was a great success this year, and the King's Men made a brave show as they flocked out to the stage to restore Humpty to his former entirety. Not a man among them was without either a sword or a rifle.

Their equipment, however, was held by some critics to be not in line with the best military custom. One third of those with rifles had swords as well, although only on half of those with swords had also rifles. Those with both swords and rifles were the officers, and wore red uniforms. The rest of the 'Men' wore white.

If twelve of those in white had rifles, how many had not?

Weigh-it and See

You have eighteen 50p pieces and a balance. One of the 50p pieces is a counterfeit, and a little heavier than the genuine ones. Can you, in only three weighings, pick out the counterfeit?

The Bus Journey

Very shortly after leaving Middle Stumping by bus on the half-hour ride to Biffen Wallop one day, we met a bus coming towards us, and I wondered to myself how many such buses we should meet before we reached our destination.

Assuming that there is a ten-minute service each way, and that all the buses concerned travel at a uniform rate, what is the answer?

JUNIOR Post

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APPLICATION FORM

Dear Uncle Ricki, please enrol me as a member of the 'Post' OK Club, and send me a badge and membership card.

Name Age

Address

Date of Birth

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Welcome to more new members



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