


4. Axel's Plan



How's this going to work then?

The illustration shows three cavemen. On the left, a man with a beard and a brown tunic asks a question. In the center, a smaller caveman (Axel) is holding a long wooden log. On the right, another man with orange hair is rolling a large grey rock. In the top left corner, there are two flying reptiles. In the top right corner, there are two crossed axes.

"How can we move this rockpile?" asked Dad. "It will take for ever!"

"I have an idea," said Axel. "Get your firestones outside the cave."

He ran down the footpath and after a while came back with a log.

Dad had rolled his firestone outside. Sol had rolled his outside.

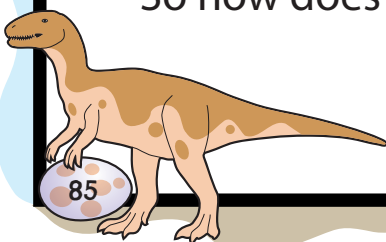
"I don't understand," said Dad. "What sort of madcap idea is this?"

"I'm not a scatterbrain," said Axel. Dad raised his eyebrows.

Axel took one end of the log and put it in the round hole in Dad's firestone.

Then he took the other end of the log and put it in the hole of Sol's firestone.

"So how does this help us move the rocks, mastermind?" said Dad.





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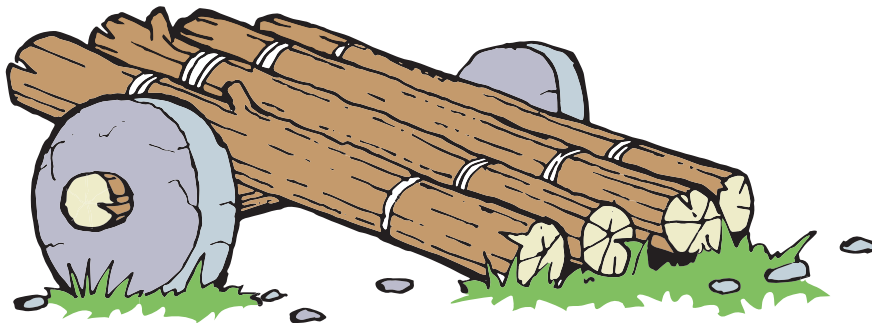
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- 2 Dad and Sol followed him down the foot..... (**path**)
- 3 They ran down..... to the lake. (**hill**)
- 4 They picked up a raft and carried it back up the hill..... (**side**)
- 5 They attached the raft to the axle and made a sort of push..... (**cart**)
- 6 Axel was the first cave..... to invent the wheel. (**man**)
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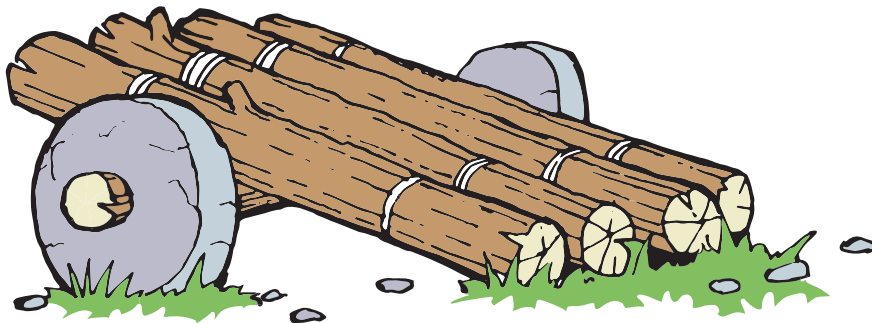


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