

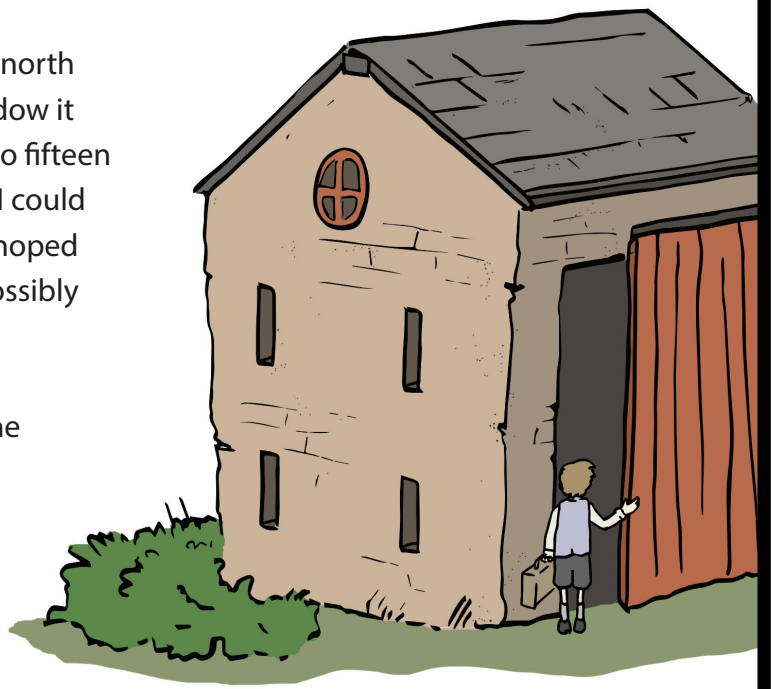
With the suitcase at my side, I headed north towards the barn. From my bedroom window it didn't look far; I estimated it was only ten to fifteen minutes' walk away. The sun had risen, so I could at least see where I was going this time. I hoped I wouldn't meet any farmers who might possibly be working nearby, tending to their cattle. I made a promise to myself that I wouldn't crawl through any hedges as I had done the night before, but only climb over gates. (I had to try to keep reasonably clean.)

This meant I had to head further east than I wanted before I could head west, back towards the barn. Unfortunately, this meant the barn was now several fields

away to my left. Seeing no easy way of reaching it, I decided to forget about going to the barn and continued to walk on. I didn't want to walk back; I wanted to put as much distance between me and the village as possible. Surely there would be another barn ahead. It was almost light now and I desperately needed somewhere to change into my other set of clothes before anybody spotted me. I thought about changing in a field, but couldn't risk getting my clothes dirty. I didn't want to arouse suspicion when I eventually boarded a bus.

After another ten minutes or so, I spotted, what appeared to be, another barn in the distance. I was quite near; perhaps some hundred metres away before I hesitated. This barn was rather too close to the farmhouse for my liking and I wondered whether it was a good idea to head towards it after all. I waited to see if anybody was about, but as nobody appeared I thought I could probably risk going closer. As I approached the farmhouse I was reasonably confident that the farm was deserted. There were no signs of life: I could hear no animals and there was no tractor in the yard. I went right up to one of the filthy windows and peered in. The place clearly hadn't been lived in for some time. There was an empty milk bottle on the window sill and some old newspapers scattered on the floor; it definitely had an abandoned look. On another occasion I would have liked to have gone in and had a good nose around, but I certainly had no desire to do that today.

Instead I walked back towards the barn. The barn door had been left slightly ajar and I could see that it was quite clean and dry inside. It would certainly do to get changed in and to eat a quick breakfast of apple and cheese which I had stuffed into my coat pocket before leaving. I opened the door further to let in some more light and entered the barn. The farm was seemingly uninhabited, but I was still nervous about being seen, so I climbed into the hayloft above. There was straw covering the boards and a pile of hay stacked up in the corner. I placed the case on a bale and opened the suitcase. I began to change into my new set of clothes, the likes of which I hadn't worn for years, when I heard a rustling in the hay pile behind me.





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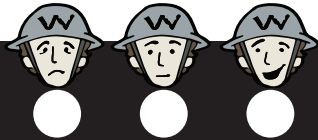
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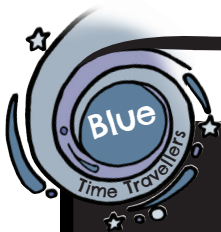
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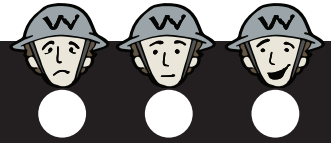
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Choose an adverb from the appropriate category to complete the sentence.

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