

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

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## The Lost Property Department

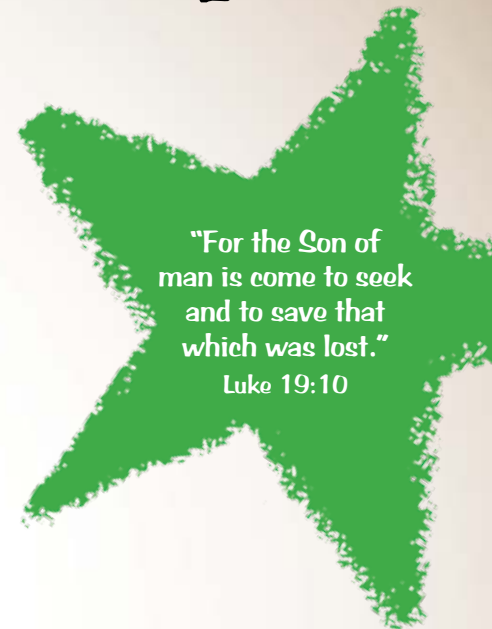
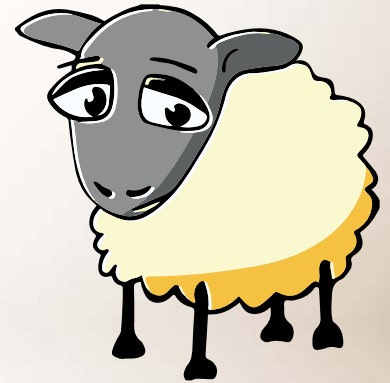
In the city of London there is a large warehouse that belongs to the London Public Transport System. But everything found inside that building belongs to someone else – it's the main storehouse for all the property left behind by people travelling on the trains and buses.

There you will find thousands of lost keys, umbrellas, phones and handbags. There are some very strange and unusual items as well, such as a large inflatable dinosaur, some wooden legs, various musical instruments and a stringed puppet! In Luke 15 there is another "Lost Property Department".

Firstly, there was a **lost sheep**. This sheep didn't come back down to the fold after grazing in the meadow. It went the wrong way and headed out into the mountains. Now although sheep are foolish animals, I'm sure this one had a sense of its lost condition. Yet being unable to get back to the safety of the fold it simply wandered further and further away. Maybe, that's how it is with you. Lost in sin, each day takes you further away from God.

Then there was the **lost silver**. It had been lost somewhere in the house, but, being a coin, it had no sense of its loss. So there it lay in the dirt, untroubled and unconcerned with regards to its whereabouts. Perhaps this coin is a picture of you. You are totally unmoved about the fact that you are lost in the filth and dirt of sin. Notice also that this coin was lost in a place normally associated with safety, that being the home. This reminds me that just because a person comes from a Christian home or goes to a good church, two very safe places, still they can be just as lost in their sins.

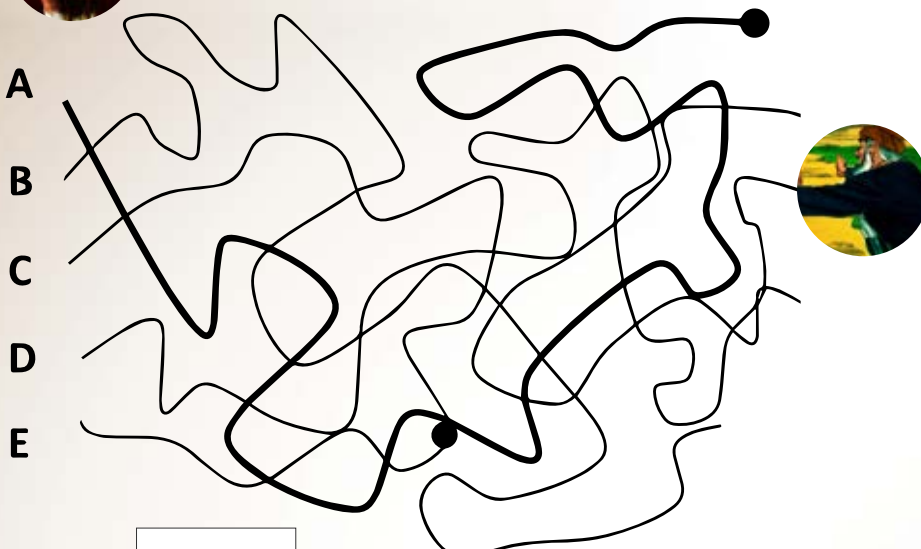
Lastly, there was the **lost son**. Through his own foolishness he found himself lost and undone in a far away land, with the memories of a better life and a loving father to add to his sorrows. Those loving memories drew him back home, where he was immediately forgiven and restored. What a wonderful picture this is of the sinner coming to God the Father and being forgiven. A success story! In fact all three were success stories because all three things were found. What about you? Is your life a success story? Have you been found and rescued from your lost sinful condition yet?



"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."  
Luke 19:10



**Quiz:** Carefully follow the lines down below.  
Which one will lead the lost son back to his father?



Answer:

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