

## An Unusual Hero

Boom! The sky rumbled loudly as dark clouds gathered overhead. Thomas emerged from the local shop carrying 2 cartons of milk. He had heard the loud sound and looked up at the dark sky. The evening had been warm and sunny and Thomas didn't wear a coat. Thomas knew it was going to lash and he had to walk down a few streets to get to his apartment. He would get soaked. A bolt of lightning shot through the sky and lit it up. Thomas could hear the crackling in the sky. Without a second a thought he decided now was the time to use his super powers. He dashed round a dark corner and he spun around to transform into his flying costume. Within a few seconds he soared to the sky. Super Thomas got a thrill every time he flew at top speed through the vast sky.

Tonight was different. He had to fly at a lower level to dodge the bolts of lightning. This also meant he had to be careful flying past tall buildings. As he swerved around a building sparks suddenly flew up into the air and sizzled. This startled him. Just then he heard loud barking. Thomas could understand any language including animals. A dog was barking "HELP! There is a lot of smoke here!" Following the sound of the bark, Super Thomas found the apartment. Through the window he could make out people crawling on the floor coughing and spluttering. Thomas realized he had to act quickly. The windows were locked. He had to find a way to break the window before the place was covered in smoke. He dived down to the streets and pulled a street light with all of his strength out of the ground. As he zoomed back to the apartment window with the street lamp he hoped he wasn't too late. As he bashed the window with the street lamp he could feel the heat of the fire burning inside. To his relief the glass of the window shattered as the thick black smoke escaped and billowed into the air outside. He entered through the broken window and blew out the fire. "Liu, Liu where is Liu?" screamed a lady in her own language. The dog was barking and scratching at a door. Super Thomas could make out that Liu was behind the door. Super Thomas managed to open the door by pulling it back. There was Liu lying on the floor cuddling his teddy. At once the dog scuttled over to the boy licking his face and wagging his tail frantically.

Super Thomas learned that the dog was as much a hero as he was. He never gave up on his family. Whoever would have thought understanding a dog's language could come in so handy thought Thomas to himself. Thomas was relieved everyone in the family was saved thanks to the dog's help.

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