

Buster Bumps' Automobile Trip

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A Comical Reading Game
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This is a narrative of Buster Bumps' first and only automobile trip with blank spaces left to be filled in by the players as the game progresses.

The curious and contrary nature of the words on the cards, for uses to which they are assigned in the story, cannot fail to excite laughter and merriment.

One person is selected to read the story, and he divides the cards among the players. The players keep their cards in a pile, face downwards, and do not select or pick them out, but take them in regular order as they lie in the pile.

The reader pauses at each —— in the story and the players, beginning at the left of the reader, read their cards in rotation, one for each ——, thus making the story complete. After a card is read, it should be laid aside.

As the cards never come twice in the same order, an endless and comical variation in the narrative is secured.

THE STORY

Buster Bumps was born of poor but honest parents in the small town of Castoroilville, which, before it was moved to the place it now is, from the place it used to be, was situated out west in the eastern part of the country.

Buster received a legacy of Three Hundred Dollars not long ago from an old aunt, and with the cash he purchased a beautiful car, which was a cross between — and —. People who saw it for the first time said it looked like — but when they got used to seeing it rattling along the road, they said it looked like—.

Buster had the car delivered to him together with — from the Haste-Makes-Waste Express Company one rainy afternoon. He found that they had lost — belonging to the car, which must have been mislaid, as he found it under —, a few minutes later. He fixed her up, nailed on — to the radiator and hung — on the rear mud-guard. After Buster, who ran a truck for a second-hand

furniture store, finally had gotten the parts all together he put — into the gasoline tank and — into the radiator and found that everything now ran smoothly.

The next day he told his wife and six small children that he would have a Holiday and take them all on an automobile trip. He purchased — for Mrs. Buster, also — for each of the kids to play with.

The next day they started out. He put on the front seat — and on the rear one —. He tied — on to the rear axle, which made a noise like — dragging on the ground. Little Buster, Jr., the youngest had — tied around his neck —, and Lizzie, the oldest daughter, carried — in her lap, and Bill, the oldest boy, took — with him. They started out good and early and were going along in fine shape when they ran into —, which caused quite a delay, but Buster said he didn't care — as it wasn't his fault any way. He blew — which he used in place of his horn, it sounded just like —. After they had gone about three miles on their journey they saw — in the road and

stopped to pick it up, and Mrs. Bumps put it into her pocket, but little Buster said he wanted it, so she gave him — to keep him quiet. They stopped at a country store and bought — and — for their lunch. When they got away they found that — was sitting upon the hood of the car. This made Mrs. Bumps mad and she called her hubby — and he so forgot himself as to call her —. After peace was finally restored, they saw — climbing a tree along the roadway. This made them all laugh, and Lizzie said he looked just like —. Little Buster wanted to get it, but — which his father found in the oil can satisfied him for the time being. Arriving at a pretty little spot under some trees, they stopped and Buster said he was hungry as —, and Mrs. Bumps gave him — to eat, and gave each of the children —, and gave herself —, which they all seemed to enjoy very much. They started off again in a rush, and suddenly they heard a noise which sounded like — bumping against —. Buster stopped the machine just as — jumped on his neck. This caused no end of trouble, but finally all was well and they

proceeded. It started to rain in the afternoon and Mrs. Bumps said it would spoil — which was on the rear extra tire, but Buster said. "Never mind, I will get you — when we get home." They decided to stop at the hotel in the next village for the night, and arrived there just before dark. They got rooms and each took — from the car, and Mrs. Bumps carried — and — into the hotel. Buster brought along — as well as — he had picked up in the yard in front of the hotel. They enjoyed a good supper and Buster said if he only had — he would be satisfied. The landlord gave him — and to Mrs. Bumps he gave —, and to each of the children he gave — and they all went to bed. At about midnight Buster heard what he supposed was — in his room, but it proved to be only —, so all went to sleep again. They awoke early in the morning all feeling as fine as —. For breakfast Buster ordered for himself and — for Mrs. Buster and — for the children, so they all had plenty to eat. Buster got out the car and got — and — so that they would be sure to have something in case of accident. They drove through a beautiful

country, and little Buster said, "Give me — and I will be happy." Mother gave him —, which pleased him very much. A little further on reaching out over the road in the trees was — hanging to a —, which looked so funny that Mrs. Bumps said it looked like —. Bye and bye they were nearing a big city and Lizzie wanted —, so having just ran over — and backed into —, the car was parked safely beside —. While Buster waited in the car, the folks visited a few of the stores and purchased — also —. Buster got tired waiting and decided he wanted — so he tied — to the rear of the car and started out to see if he could find — in any of the stores. He met the folks on the street and they said he looked like —, and all went back to the car and off again, crossing a pretty river in which — was seen floating down stream. Little Buster wanted this too, but Mrs. Bumps gave him — instead, which Buster said looked more like — than —.

After having ridden along for about five miles it began to rain again and they decided to start for home.

They were going along splendidly when, all of a sudden, Buster saw —— a few feet ahead. He could not stop, so he ran right over it, but did not do any damage. Lizzie called her father ——, and Buster Junior said, "Papa looks just like ——." Later, Buster noticed that the car was slowing up, and, to his surprise, it stopped short. He got out and found —— under the car and —— on the gasoline tank.

Buster got the car started again and they finally reached home all very tired and hungry, but having had a very enjoyable trip.