

# Right Around HOME by Dudley Fisher

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## - THE PROBLEM -

JOHN CAN WALK TO SCHOOL IN 6 MINUTES. HE CAN RUN TO SCHOOL IN 4 MINUTES. RUTH RIDES HER BIKE TO SCHOOL IN 2 MINUTES. SHE GIVES JOHN ONE MINUTE HEAD START AND OVERTAKES HIM HALF-WAY TO SCHOOL. DID JOHN WALK OR RUN?

**WE ALL HELP MYRTLE WITH HER HOME WORK!**

TOOTS AND I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL JUNIOR GETS INTO SCHOOL-

AND BRINGS HIS LITTLE PROBLEMS HOME TO US!

WELL, JUST WAIT UNTIL YOU'VE BEEN DOING THIS AS LONG AS THE REST OF US!

NOW THIS IS JOHN AND THIS IS RUTH. YOU TELL ME WHEN TO START JOHN RUNNING.

WAIT A MINUTE, FREDDIE! I'VE GOT TO GET MY WATCH RUNNING FIRST!

I DON'T SEE WHY THEY DON'T GIVE KIDS USEFUL PROBLEMS LIKE ADDING UP THEIR RATION POINTS.

OR FIGURING INCOME TAXES!

IF IT WAS MACHINE GUNS, I COULD FIGURE IT, BUT WE DON'T MAKE BICYCLES AND I NEVER RUN.

SOMEBODY OPEN THIS DOOR!

I THINK YOU LET X EQUAL SOMETHING, BUT I WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT.

I WISH YOU'D LET ME TAKE THIS TABLE CLOTH OFF BEFORE YOU RUIN IT!

OUCH!

IF THIS IS HALF-WAY, IT'S TOO FAR!

ARF-WAY! ARF-WAY!

WE OUGHT TO BE HOME FIGURING HOW WE'RE GOING TO PAY OUR OCTOBER BILLS.

SO NICE OF YOU TO COME OVER, PROFESSOR. WE HAVE A LITTLE PROBLEM IN ARITHMETIC!

BUT I'M A PSYCHOLOGIST!

HOW DO THEY KNOW BUT WHAT JOHN STOPPED AT THE DRUG STORE?

AND IF IT'S THE RUTH, I KNOW SHE HASN'T GOT A BIKE!

MAYBE WE SHOULD HAVE GIVEN OUR CHILDREN PROBLEMS LIKE THAT.

LISTEN, ALICE! OUR KIDS ALL MADE GOOD AS FLYERS! DIDN'T THEY?

GEE WHITH, MYRTLE! THE TEACHER SAID TO DO THESE OURSELVES AND NOT GET ANY HELP FROM OUR FOLKS!

DO YOU CALL THIS HELP?

SLUG HAS RUN UP TO THE SCHOOL AND BACK TWICE, BUT HE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING OF RUTH!

AND I LEFT THE WATER RUNNING IN THE BATH-TUB!

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I FORGOT TO TELL YOU THAT'S THE PROBLEM THE TEACHER TOLD US TO SKIP!

