

# BICYCLE SAFETY



**AVOID THE  
BLIND SPOT!**

**RIDE WHERE YOU  
CAN BE SEEN!**

**EPISODE 4**



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A THURSDAY EVENING  
IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA

WITH THE  
CHAMPIONSHIP  
ON THE LINE AND  
THE FINAL SECONDS  
TICKING DOWN,  
RICKY HAS  
THE BALL.

THE  
DEFENDERS  
CAN'T KEEP UP  
WITH HIM. HE'S  
TOO FAST!

RICKY HAS  
A CLEAR PATH  
TO THE GOAL! THE  
GOALIE IS QUAKING  
IN HIS CLEATS!

RICKY  
LAUNCHES A  
ROCKET...

**BOOT!**

**GOOOOOAL!**

ALMOST TIME  
TO LEAVE FOR  
PRACTICE, BUT I  
NEED TO INSPECT  
MY BIKE FOR  
MAINTENANCE  
ISSUES BEFORE  
I GO.



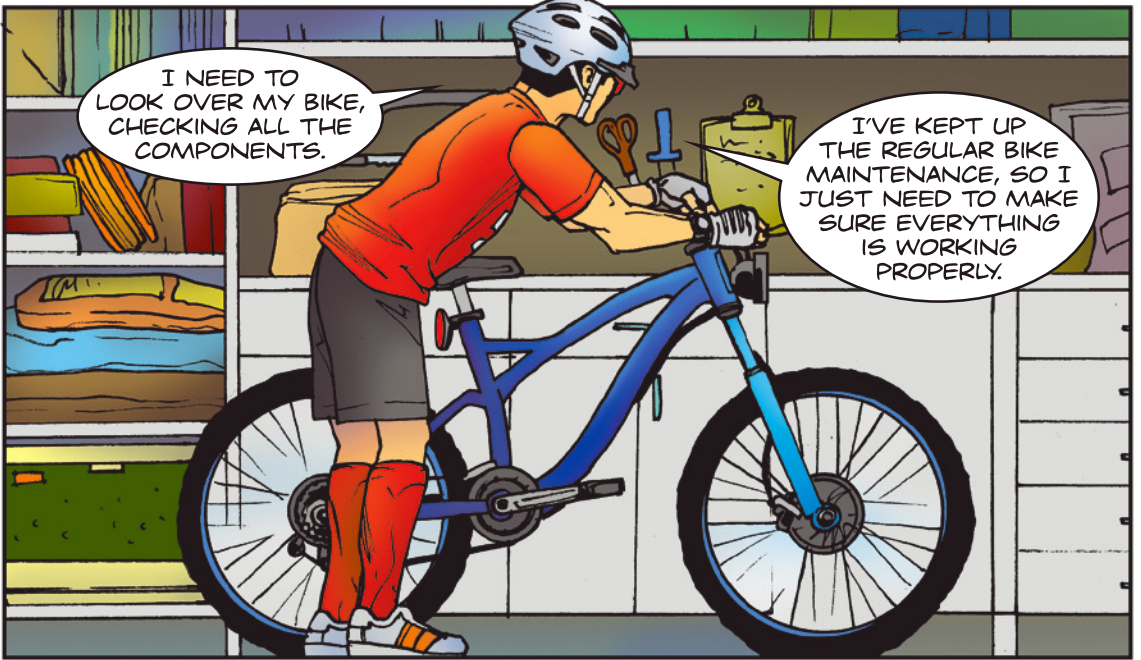
FIRST, I'LL GET MY PROTECTIVE GEAR. GOTTA PROTECT MY HEAD.



GOTTA PROTECT MY EYES.

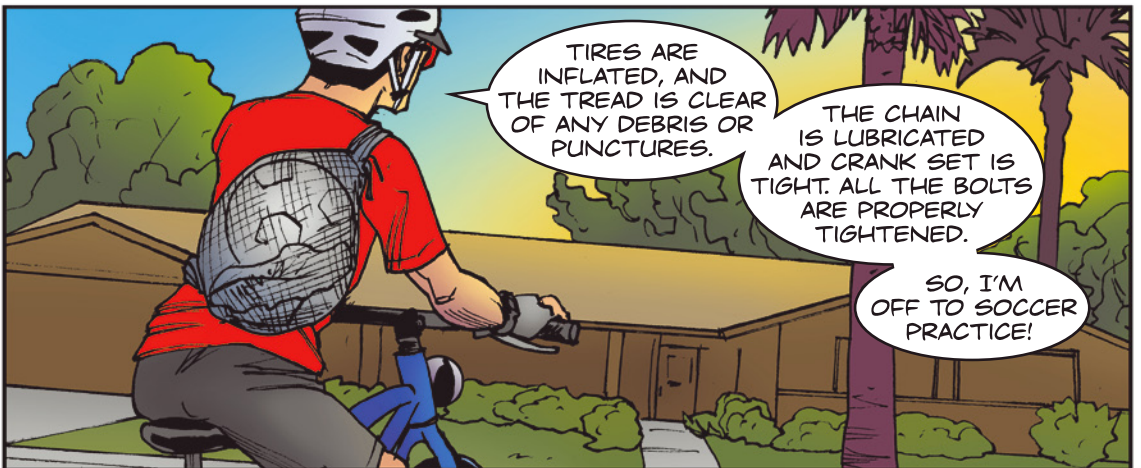


GOTTA PROTECT MY HANDS.



I NEED TO LOOK OVER MY BIKE, CHECKING ALL THE COMPONENTS.

I'VE KEPT UP THE REGULAR BIKE MAINTENANCE, SO I JUST NEED TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS WORKING PROPERLY.



TIRES ARE INFLATED, AND THE TREAD IS CLEAR OF ANY DEBRIS OR PUNCTURES.

THE CHAIN IS LUBRICATED AND CRANK SET IS TIGHT. ALL THE BOLTS ARE PROPERLY TIGHTENED.

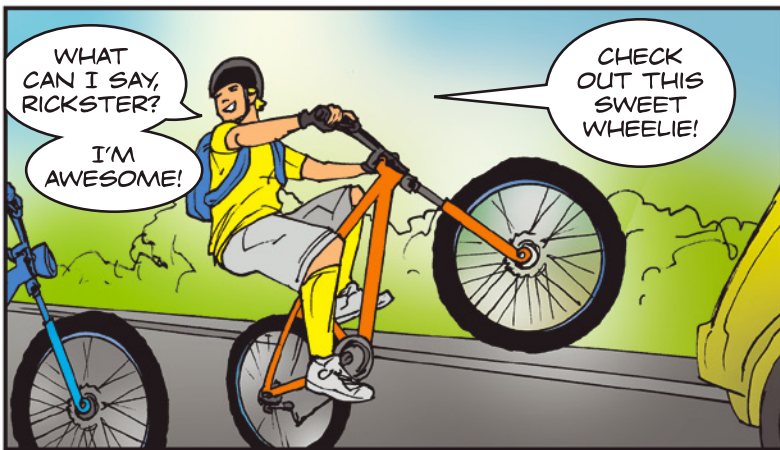
SO, I'M OFF TO SOCCER PRACTICE!



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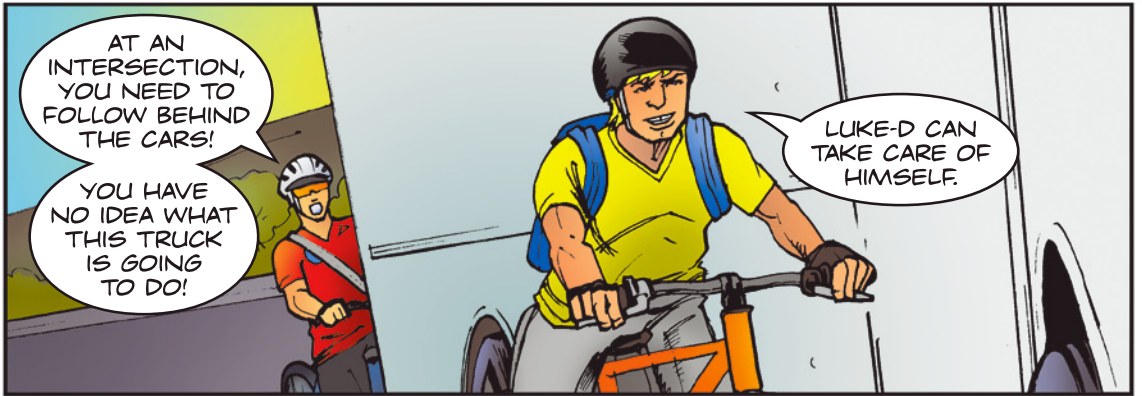
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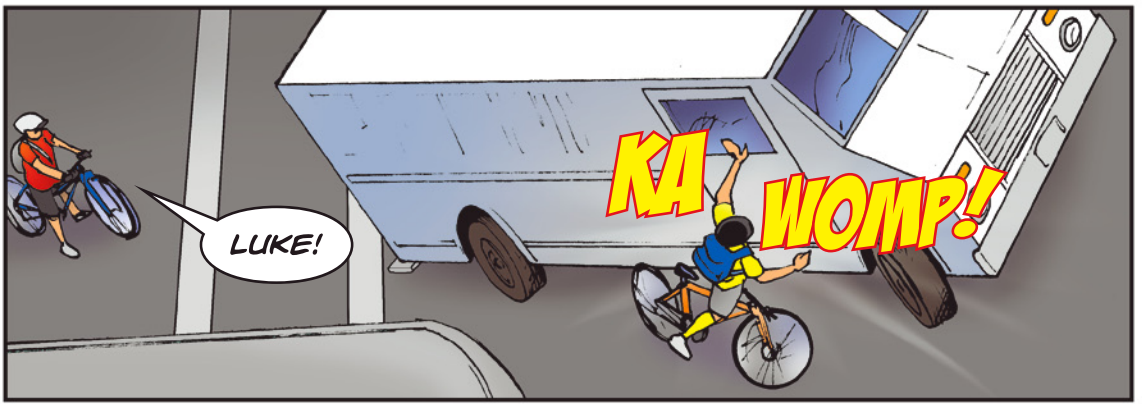


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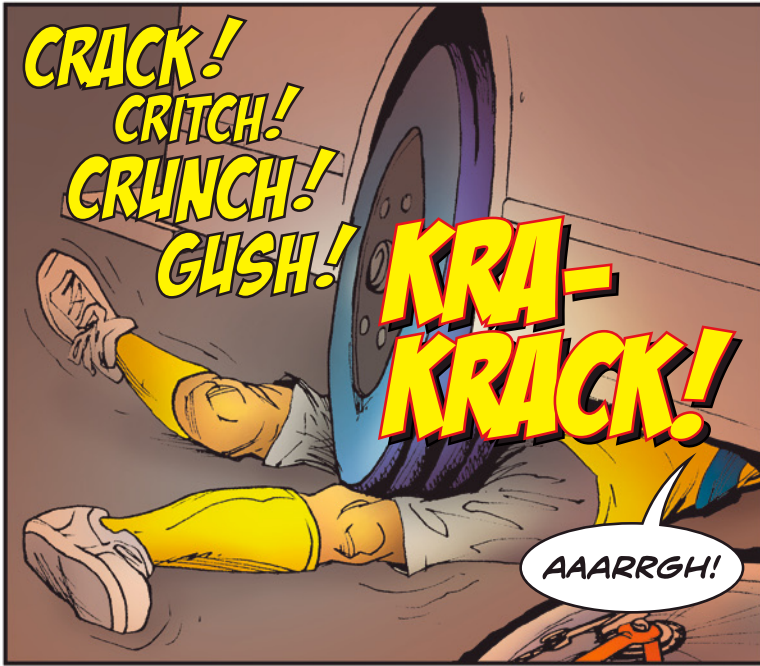
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**KA WOMP!**

LUKE!



**CRACK!  
CRITCH!  
CRUNCH!  
GUSH!**

**KRA-  
KRACK!**

AAARRGH!



ACK!



MY LEGS!  
THAT TRUCK  
CRUSHED MY  
LEGS! I MAY  
NEVER PLAY  
SOCCER  
AGAIN!

WHAT IF  
THAT'S THE  
LAST WHEELIE  
I EVER DO?!

LUKE,  
THAT WAS  
SO STUPID!  
YOU NEED A  
DOCTOR!

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# READY TO RIDE?

**GET YOUR BICYCLE READY TO RIDE! TAKE THE BIKE CHECK CHALLENGE!**

Before you ride, check to see that your bike is properly maintained and ready for the road!

**SEAT, PEDALS  
& HANDLEBARS**  
\_\_\_ Tight

**FRAME & FIT**

- \_\_\_ Not too big & not too small
- \_\_\_ Not bent, dented or cracked

**BIKE LIGHTS**

- \_\_\_ Fresh batteries

**REFLECTORS**

- \_\_\_ Tight
- \_\_\_ White in front
- \_\_\_ Red in back

**BRAKES**

- \_\_\_ Stop smoothly
- \_\_\_ No worn hand-brake pads

**WHEELS**

- \_\_\_ No loose or broken spokes
- \_\_\_ No bent rims

**CHAIN**

- \_\_\_ Not too loose
- \_\_\_ No rust
- \_\_\_ Oiled

**TIRES**

- \_\_\_ Inflated correctly
- \_\_\_ No worn tread
- \_\_\_ No cracks

**PROTECT YOUR MELON! WEAR YOUR BIKE HELMET RIGHT!**

## #1 HELMET FIT

Your helmet should fit snugly, sitting low & level on your head.



## #2 ADJUST THE STRAPS

On each side, make a "Y" under your ear, adjusting the back strap first, then the front strap!



## #3 FINALLY

Make the chin straps snug!



**YOU'RE READY TO RIDE!**

# RIDE SAFE!

**ON YOUR NEXT BICYCLE RIDE,  
REMEMBER THESE IMPORTANT SAFETY TIPS:**

HAVE FUN  
AND RIDE  
SAFE!



**#1 PROTECT YOUR MELON!**

Always wear a helmet!

**#2 RIDE ON THE RIGHT!**

Go with the flow of traffic, and always ride on the right side of the street!

**#3 KEEP YOUR RIDE SMOOTH!**

Keep your bicycle properly maintained!

**#4 AVOID THE BLIND SPOT!**

Ride where you can be seen! Don't ride on the right side of cars near an intersection or driveway!

**#5 DON'T RUN THE RED!**

Respect the traffic signal! Don't run RED lights!

**#6 STOP MEANS STOP!**

Follow the signs! Don't run STOP signs!

**#7 DON'T GET DOORED!**

Keep safely away from parked cars!



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