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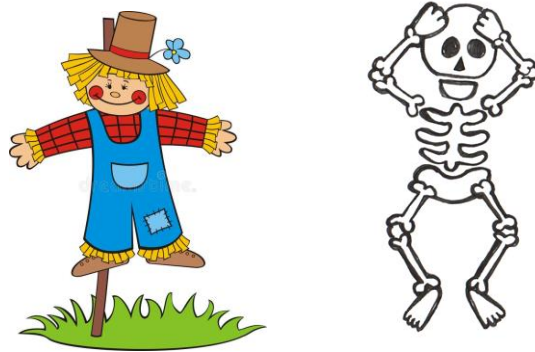
The **skeleton** had a strange present for his birthday. It was a pair of **skates**.
“What a strange present!” thought the **skeleton**. “I’m a bit worried about going on my **skates** because if I fall over, I might break my bones!” he thought.



The **skeleton** still wanted to wear his **skates**. He was determined to find a safe way to ride on his **skates**. “Maybe someone could help me?” he thought, so he went out looking for some of his friends.



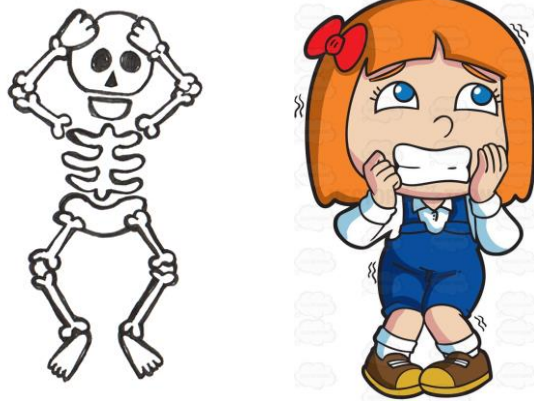
The first person that the **skeleton** bumped into was his friend, the **scarecrow**. “Can you help me to learn how to ride on my **skates**?” asked the **skeleton**. “I would but I’m stuck up here and I can’t get down!” said the **scarecrow**. Never mind, thanks anyway,” said the **skeleton** and he carried on looking for someone to help.



The next person that the **skeleton** saw was his friend, **Scooby-Doo**. “Can you help me to learn how to ride on my **skates**?” asked the **skeleton**. “I would but I don’t know what to do and I’d need four **skates**!” said **Scooby-Doo**. “Never mind, thanks anyway,” said the **skeleton** and he carried on looking for someone to help.



Next, the **skeleton** saw his friend, Amy. She was **shaking**. “Can you help me learn how to ride on my **skates**?” asked the **skeleton**. “I would but I’m far too **scared** to go on **skates**,” said Amy. “Never mind,” said the **skeleton** and he carried on looking for someone to help.



Next, the **skeleton** saw his friend, Alice, who was **skiing**. “Can you help me learn how to ride on my **skates**?” asked the **skeleton**. “Of course. Why don’t we use this **scarf** to tie us together and when I’m **skiing**, you can practice riding your **skates** behind me?” said Alice. “What a good idea,” said the **skeleton**. They had so much fun and the **skeleton** didn’t fall over once.



The **skeleton** was so tired after all of the **skating** that he lay on the ground and looked up at the **sky**. “What a busy day I’ve had today! I can’t wait to ride my **skates** again tomorrow. I’m going to ride them to **school!**” and with that thought, the **skeleton** closed his eyes and went to sleep.



The end.

