

Pie

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1. What was the name of Polly's pie shop?
PIE
2. What was unusual about what Polly did with the pies she baked?
Polly did not sell her pies, she gave them away. Instead of money, people brought Polly more ingredients.
3. When Aunt Polly died, to whom did she leave her pie shop?
Reverend Flowers
4. What happened to Aunt Polly's secret pie crust recipe when she died?
Aunt Polly's secret recipe for her pie crust was left to Lardo, her cat. The cat was left to Alice to care for.
5. When Lardo ran away, Alice went back to the pie shop to see if he returned to his home. What did she find happened at the pie shop?
Alice found the place had been ransacked; the burglar was looking for something.
6. Who was in the pie shop when Alice arrived and why was he there?
Charlie Erdling was in the shop. He stopped on his bike when he saw the door open. He noticed it was ransacked and went inside to investigate.
7. Because Alice remembered hearing a CLINK the night that Lardo disappeared, she and Charlie went back to her house to see if they could figure out what the sound came from. What did Alice find under the radiator that had made the sound?
Alice found an earring. It wasn't hers, she didn't wear earrings. It wasn't her mother's either.
8. While Alice and Charlie were still investigating the break in at the pie shop, what did Alice realize was different about Aunt Polly at the funeral?
Aunt Polly always wore a key around her neck. It was no longer there when Alice went up to the casket at the funeral yet her parents insisted it was around Aunt Polly's neck at the funeral.

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9. What did Alice tell Aunt Polly she wanted to be when she grew up?
A squirrel
10. What was on Charlie's shopping list for Miss Gurke, the school principal, that made Alice suspicious that she may have "cat" napped Lardo?
A dozen cans of sardines, Lardo's favorite food
11. While Alice and Charlie were snooping around Miss Gurke's house, they heard a strange noise in the backyard. What did Alice see in the yard?
Miss Gurke had a lot of muscles and was dressed in a stretchy red outfit instead of her baggy principal clothes.
12. How did Charlie catapult Alice over Miss Gurke's fence?
While they were peeking over Miss Gurke's fence, a horse fly bit Charlie's neck. He screamed and threw Alice over the fence.
13. What happened to Charlie when he saw Miss Gurke in her red stretchy outfit?
He fainted
14. Miss Gurke was insulted when Alice told her she looked like Miss America. How did Miss Gurke want to be remembered?
Miss Gurke dreamed of becoming America's first muscle woman.
15. When Alice and Charlie went back to Alice's house from Miss Gurke's, Lardo had been returned. What was different about Lardo?
He was drunk.
16. Alice's mother's pie disappeared. What did Alice's mother say to her that upset Alice so much that she ran out of the house?
Alice's mother accused Alice of taking the pie and complained that Alice loved Aunt Polly more than she loved her own mother.
17. What did Alice say to her mother about loving Aunt Polly more?
Alice told her mother the difference between Aunt Polly's love and her mother's love was that Aunt Polly loved Alice back.

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18. Alice saw Sylvia DeSoto, the reporter from Look Magazine hanging out the window of the town's inn. Suddenly, she dropped something out the window. What was it?
Alice's mother's chocolate cream pie
19. What 2 things did Alice find in Sylvia DeSoto's green Chevrolet?
Alice found the matching earring to the one that was under the radiator and a suitcase with the initials J.Q. on it.
20. What was the plan to set up Sylvia DeSoto about Aunt Polly's secret pie crust recipe?
The plan was for Charlie to ask Nora Needleman to the movies and to make sure he spoke loud enough for Sylvia to hear that he asked Alice first but Alice said no because she found the secret recipe.
21. While helping Charlie deliver groceries around town, what did Alice do to help each customer?
Alice gave each person a little advice about making their favorite pies like Aunt Polly's. She passed on lots of things Aunt Polly taught her.
22. Alice and Charlie waited in Alice's room for Sylvia or J.Q. to show up to steal the secret recipe. Who was the thief?
Jane Quizenberry was always the runner up to Aunt Polly in the Blueberry Awards pie contest.
23. What did Aunt Polly tell Alice was the most important ingredient that goes in a pie?
The love that goes in it
24. Hammerschlacht came to Alice's house. Who was he and why was he there?
Mr. H owned the Lardo shortening company. He was there to bring a contract for Alice to write a jingle for Lardo and a contract for her mother to sing it. The secret recipe was on the side of the Lardo shortening can. Aunt Polly left her recipe to Lardo shortening company to share with everyone.