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PUSH OFF!

[This text is read aloud at the beginning of this video:] Welcome to Stories for Lipreading. If you haven't used our website before, we suggest you look at our 'How to Use' page before you begin. We hope you enjoy this story joke, which is called 'Push Off!'

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A man and his wife were woken at 3 o'clock in the morning by someone shouting and banging on the front door. It was a terrible shock. The husband got up, went to the front door and rather nervously opened it.

Standing on the doorstep was a stranger who was very obviously drunk.

'What do you want?' asked the husband.

'Can you give us a push, mate?' asked the stranger.

'No way!' said the man. 'It's 3 o'clock in the morning and you're drunk! Clear off!'

He slammed the door and went back to bed.

His wife was sitting up in bed looking anxious. 'Well, who was it?' she asked. 'Just some bloke asking for a push,' he said, climbing back into bed. 'I told him to clear off.' 'Well,' said his wife, 'you've got a short memory! Don't you remember last year, when we broke down and those two kind men gave us a push? We were so grateful. You should be ashamed of yourself!'

So the husband got up, put on his dressing gown and trudged out into the dark garden. There was no sign of the drunk so he shouted into the darkness, 'Hello? Are you still there?'

'Yes!' shouted the other man.

'Do you still need a push?'

'Yes, please!'

'Where are you?' shouted the husband.

'Over here on the swing!'