



The Park in the Dark: A Vision Zero Story

Once upon a time, in a friendly neighborhood, there lived a boy named Jack. Jack loved going to the park to play with his friends.

One evening, after a fun day at the park, Jack began his walk back home. He wore his dark clothes because they were his favorite, but something important happened on his way home.

As Jack walked, the sky started turning darker. The streetlights began to glow, and it got a little hard for Jack to see. But there was another problem. Jack thought to himself, "if I'm having trouble seeing, I wonder if the drivers in their cars might have problems seeing me because of my dark clothes".

Suddenly, a car turned a corner and startled him! Jack got scared, and quickly jumped back from the sidewalk onto the grass!

The car stopped, and the driver said, "I'm sorry to have startled you, but you gave me quite a scare! You should wear brighter clothes when it gets dark. I almost didn't see you!" The driver rolled up his window and continued on his drive.

Jack's heart was pounding, what a fright that was! He felt so relieved to be safe. He continued his walk home, but he thought about what happened and decided to make a change.

Starting from that day, whenever Jack went to the park and knew he'd be walking back home when it was getting dark, he always made sure to put on clothes with bright colors and shiny things. It made him look cool, and most importantly, it kept him safe.

So, the lesson here is simple: when you go for walks when it's getting dark, wear bright clothes. It helps cars and people see you, just like Jack learned while walking back from the park!