**Mission Impossible!**

George Durrant

James and George Bank were completely ordinary, totally normal and utterly boring brothers. They wore ordinary clothes, took part in normal every day activities, went to a normal school and weren’t special at all – or so people thought...

In fact they had been keeping a secret for at least 6 months now. It’s no old boring secret, it’s actually a very important secret and it's essential that it stays a secret. However only the bravest and most fearless kids can know...are you ready and brave enough? Go on then, I’ll tell you. James and George are in fact SPIES! And nobody knew, not even their parents!

I’ll tell you about one of their missions...one day James and George were having lunch, it was a Saturday so it wasn’t school. After lunch they played games in their garden. Suddenly they heard a beep sound, it was a message on George’s new watch, which he had been given when they became spies, the message read:

Robert Roger has stolen the biggest emerald in the world.

Your task: Get the emerald back and return it to HQ.

When: Tonight.

Where: A camp site in Orb.

WARNING: There are lots of security cameras.

The boys were astonished and excited for the dangerous mission. The day went by normally, when midnight struck the faint sound of an alarm filled the house and surprisingly it only awoke James. He jumped out of bed and woke up his brother, they both got up, dressed quickly and ran down the stairs and out of the house, hoping they hadn’t woken anyone up. After about 5 minutes of cycling, they arrived at the campsite, both exhausted but eager to get the job done. They had to be very quiet because it was absolutely packed with caravans and tents. George spotted the security cameras, they were everywhere! In the distance they could see a strange light, it seemed to be coming from a tent. They went over to take a closer look inside the tent and standing there was Robert Roger staring at the emerald! They quickly jumped behind some boxes to hide, James took out a smoke bomb from his spy tool-belt and threw it into the tent. The smoke bomb instantly released red mist and filled the tent. George dashed into the tent and grabbed the huge emerald, which had fallen onto the floor in the chaos. Before he could get away back to James, Robert Roger grabbed onto George's ankle. Skillfully George kicked Robert in the face and managed to get out if his grasp, leaving Robert Coughing in the smoky tent.

James and George both returned to their bikes hidden in the forest and pedalled rapidly home. When they eventually got home, they hid the emerald in a drawer in their bedroom. Both boys went to bed exhausted but happy to have completed their mission.

The next day James and George told their mum they were going to the park but in fact they actually visited Spy HQ to drop the emerald off and so finish their mission. Thanks to the boys, today the emerald is still safe and James and George have still not told anyone their secret identity. Who knows how many other children are spies...