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# THE MYSTERY ON THE ICE

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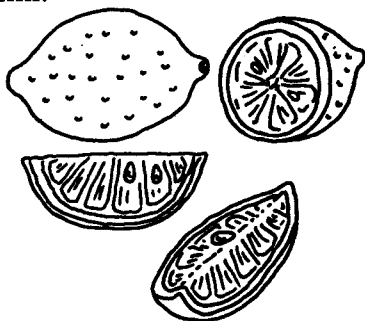
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## ***Solve a Mystery!***

Like most detectives, the Boxcar Children sometimes send each other secret messages. Here's how they make disappearing ink.

### **You will need:**

lemon juice  
a lollipop stick  
notebook paper



### **Here's what you do:**

Dip the stick in lemon juice. The stick is your pen; the juice is your ink. Write your message on the paper. When the lemon juice is completely dry, it will become invisible. Now fold up the paper and pass it along. When you send your message to a friend, be sure to whisper to him or her to hold the message near a warm light bulb. (Tell your pal to be sure not to put the paper directly on the light bulb, however.) The heat from the light bulb will turn the lemon juice ink brown, and your message will appear.

But be warned — once a disappearing ink message appears, it can never disappear again.