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When Jule Ann came down the stairs for breakfast, there was a big cookie jar on the kitchen table. She turned it upside down, but nothing came out.

So she hit the bottom of the jar, whap, whap, whap, whap; and still nothing came out. Finally she held the jar up over her head and looked in it.

A small dark lump fell out, bounced on her nose, and rolled across the table.



Jule Ann said, "WHAT'S THAT!"

Her mother said, "WHAT'S THAT!"

The small dark ate Jule Ann's shadow and got a little bigger.

The small dark ate her mother's shadow and got a little bigger.

The small dark ate the toaster's shadow and got even bigger.

"I think it's a Dark," said Jule Ann. By this time the Dark was as big as the toaster.

Jule Ann's father came in and said, "HEY, WHAT'S THAT!"

Jule Ann said, "It's a Dark. It eats shadows."



Jule Ann's father picked up the Dark and threw it out the window.



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