

23 **AS THEY APPROACHED** the entrance to the building site, the familiar figure of Jablonski the security guard was waiting for them.

“He never seems to go home, this **bloke**,” **observed** Pawluk.

They were greeted like **long lost** friends. “My favourite detectives. Back again... I **had a feeling** you might be.”

“Yes. We’re here to pay our friend the Engineer a visit. Do you think you could ask him to come down to the office for a quick word?”

Jablonski went off into the dark, noisy heart of the building and returned a couple of minutes later following a worried looking Koch.

“Things seem to be going well then? I counted another two storeys since our last visit.” said Nowak, hoping to **set him at ease** a little.

“Yes, the weather’s been kind to us and at this time of year with the long hours of daylight we can really **get a move on**. Is there something I can help you with?”

“The same thing. The CCTV footage. Is there any chance it’s turned up?”

Nowak watched carefully to see what effect his words would have. Koch’s face **gave nothing away**.

“CCTV?” Nowak said nothing and waited for Koch to continue. He’d learned years ago that people were often uncomfortable with silence and felt a need to fill it. Pawluk looked at Nowak and then to Koch. Eventually Koch spoke. “No, it’s still missing, Inspector. I don’t think it’s going to turn up now. Are you still investigating Milewski’s death?”

“We have an open mind. There’s still the question of the man who was seen running away. We’d like very much to speak to him. The CCTV footage would help us a lot. But if it’s not here, what can we do. Thanks for your time. We won’t keep you any longer. We have to go and see Mrs Szmidt.”

Koch looked a little surprised when he heard the name. “I’ll get back to work, then.”

As they were leaving the site, Nowak smiled at Jablonski and told him it was likely they’d be seeing him again soon. He gave them a **knowing look**, one which left Pawluk **slightly puzzled** as to what was going on. The detectives wandered back to their car, to find

bloke – facet

observe

– zauważyć

long lost

– dawno

utracony

have a feeling

– mieć

przeczuć

set sb at ease

– uspokajać

kogoś

get a move on

– pospieszyć się

give sth away

– zdradzać coś

knowing look

– porozumie-

wawcze

spojrzenie

slightly – lekko,

odrobinę

puzzled

– dezorientow-
any, zdumiony

5. **Why was there a gap in the safety barrier?**
- a. Vandals had broken the barrier.
 - b. Someone had forgotten to park the lift correctly.
 - c. The wood had been stolen.
6. **What was the forensics man doing as the detectives came down from the building?**
- a. He was examining the body.
 - b. He was talking to the site manager.
 - c. He was lighting a cigarette.

2. **Choose the correct form to complete the sentence.**

- 1. A body was found at the **builder / building** site.
- 2. The guarded car park was situated **aside / beside** Nowak's block.
- 3. The offices were a **collection / collecting** of twelve blue containers.
- 4. He greeted them rather **formal / formally**.
- 5. They looked at the victim's **unlively / lifeless** face.

3. **Search out words from the previous chapter.**

MOTION FORENSICS
SIDLES
HIFT INDICATED
DRIFT GAP

SŁOWNICZEK

A

access – mieć dostęp; dostęp

account, take into account

– brać pod uwagę

acknowledge sb / sth

– zauważać; uznawać kogoś / coś

acquaintance – znajomy

acquainted – zaznajomiony,

zapoznany

across the road – po drugiej stronie ulicy

act upon sth – działać w oparciu o coś

activate – uruchamiać

adjoining – przylegający

adjust – dopasowywać

adopt a tone – przyjmować ton

afford to – pozwalać sobie na

affect – wpływać na kogoś / coś

after all – koniec końców

agenda – plan

agree, not ~ with sb – nie leżeć komuś, nie pasować

aid – pomoc

among(st) – pośród

amount – ilość, kwota

ankle-biting – męczący, irytujący

annoy – drażnić, wkurzać, męczyć

annoyance – irytacja, strapienie

anxious – zaniepokojony; pragnący czegoś

apply to – dotyczyć

approach – zbliżać się do

aptitude – zdolność

argue – sprzeczać się, kłócić się

argumentative – kłótlivy

arrange – układać, umawiać

as it happens – tak się składa, że

assess – oceniać

assessment – ocena

assist – pomagać, wspierać

astute – przenikliwy, sprytny, przebiegły, cwany

at some point – w którymś momencie, kiedyś

attend – uczestniczyć, uczęszczać

attend a hearing – być obecnym na przesłuchaniu

authority – władza, instytucja władzy

award – przyznawać (np. nagrodę, kontrakt)

awe, be in ~ – być przejętym / pod wrażeniem / zachwyconym

awful, an ~ lot – strasznie dużo

B

bad way, be in a ~ – być w złej formie, mieć się źle