

EXCUSE ME!

# THEIR ONLY CHILD

## He Induces a Burglar to Become a Better Man

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**Panel 1:** A burglar with a large afro and a bag slung over his shoulder enters a room. He looks startled. **Speech bubble:** "HULLY GEE! A KID AND HE'S GOT HIS PEEPER'S ON ME!"

**Panel 2:** The burglar is crouching on the floor, looking at a baby who is crawling towards him. **Speech bubble:** "NIX-NIX! CAN THAT JUST FER A MINUTE!" **Text:** "WOW!"

**Panel 3:** The burglar is sitting on the floor, holding the baby. **Speech bubble:** "GEE WHIZ-KID-THAT'S NO WAY TO HOLLER IN FRONT OF A BURGLAR- IF YOUSE KEEP QUIET I'LL TELL YOUSE A STORY!" **Text:** "DA!"

**Panel 4:** The burglar is sitting on the floor, talking to the baby. **Speech bubble:** "JUST 'SIT ON THE FLOOR UNTIL I THINK UP A STORY!"

**Panel 5:** The burglar is sitting on the floor, looking frustrated. **Speech bubble:** "SUFFERIN LATS 'NO CHANGE OF MAKIN' A GETAWAY!"

**Panel 6:** The burglar is sitting on the floor, talking to the baby. **Speech bubble:** "NOW LISTEN-KID- LISTEN- ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WUZ A KINK AND HE WUZ AN OLD GUY WITH CHIN CURTAINS!"

**Panel 7:** The burglar is sitting on the floor, holding the baby. **Speech bubble:** "(I GOT HIM GOIN') AND HE DIDN'T LIKE THE DUKE DE DISCUT SO DEY FIGHTS A DUEL -"

**Panel 8:** A woman in a dress enters the room, looking concerned. **Speech bubble:** "LOVEY COME HERE QUICK - IT'S A BURGLAR!" **Text:** "AND THE - Z-Z-Z-Z"

**Panel 9:** The woman is talking to the burglar, who is holding the baby. **Speech bubble:** "OH'DON'T HAVE HIM ARRESTED FOR THE BABY'S SAKE" **Text:** "IT'S ALL RIGHT DONY BE AFRAID WE WON'T CALL THE POLICE" **Text:** "CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS"

**Panel 10:** A man in a suit is talking to the burglar. **Speech bubble:** "NOW FOR OUR DARLING - WE WANT YOU TO BRACE UP AND BE A BETTER MAN" **Text:** "'TANKS GOV'NOR - I'LL DO ME BEST YOUSE HAS BEEN KIND TO ME" **Text:** "WHEN YOU ARE TEMPTED TO DO WRONG THINK OF THE BABY"

**Panel 11:** The man in the suit is talking to the burglar. **Speech bubble:** "WELL THE BABY CERTAINLY HAS MADE A BETTER MAN OF HIM" **Text:** "ISN'T IT STRANGE THE INFLUENCE HE HAS OVER PEOPLE"

**Panel 12:** The man in the suit is talking to the burglar. **Speech bubble:** "WHAT - BACK AGAIN? WHERE DID YOU GET THESE TOYS?" **Text:** "THEY'RE FER THE KID - I STOLE 'EM UPSTAIRS AND HERE'S A GOOD LAY!" **Text:** "HEAVENS! TAKE THEM BACK - SHE'S COMING IN TO SEE ME TODAY!"

