



From Elevator Family On Ice:

Winslow looked toward the waving flag. "You must be from Finland," he said.

"That's right," said the man. "My name is Shypoke Crisp. I moved to the south shore of Lake Minnetonka a few months back."

"My parents were from Finland," said Sam. "They moved to Minnesota before I was born."

The man nodded again. He showed much interest in Sam's every word.

"Catch many fish this morning, Mr. Crisp?" Whitney asked

"Fish?" said the man. "I'm not out here to fish." He clutched his binoculars. "I come out on the ice to train my sled dogs."

The Wilsons looked toward the six huskies lying in the snow.

"Do they have names?" Whitney asked

"Yksi, Kaksi, Kolme, Neljä, Viisi, Kuusi," the man recited.

"Those are the numbers one through six in Finnish," said Sam. "My mom taught me some of the language when I was little."

"So, you ride out here on the sled?" Winslow asked.

"That's right," Shypoke said. "I raised and trained sled dogs back home. I just started a sled dog business here in Minnesota."