When Dick was six years old, he went and stayed with his grandparents in the country for a few weeks in the summer. He talked a lot with his grandmother while he was there, and she told him a lot of interesting things about their family which he had not known before. When he came home again to his own parents, he said to his father, 'Is it true that I was born in London, Daddy?'

'Yes, it is, Dick,' his father answered.

'And were you really born in Germany?' Dick asked.

'Yes, that's right,' his father answered. 'I was.'

And is it true that Mummy was born in Ireland?' Dick continued.

His father said, 'Yes, it is, but why are you asking me all these questions?'

Dick answered, 'Because when Granny told me all those things while I was with her, I couldn't understand how we had all met.'