## The Mechanic Was Surprised!

(意味の区切れでスラッシュ入り)

## 1. 大意をつかむ

★質問★ このエピソードを読んで、どんな言葉が思い浮かびますか。

When a policeman near Chicago / came back / from a holiday, // he noticed / that one of the headlights / on his police car / wasn't working. // He took the car / to a mechanic. // The mechanic was surprised / when he looked inside. // He found a nest! // It was made of leaves, / and there were four tiny baby squirrels ("risu") / inside. // Their mother had made a nest / for them / in a warm place, / near the engine. // The policeman didn't want / to kill the babies, / so he put them / in a box / and left the box outside. // The squirrel mother came back / in the evening. // She took her babies / one by one / to a new nest / inside a tree.