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1	The next day Brian gave Nubs an extra long belly rub.	
1	Running faster and faster he tried to keep up with Brian	
2	At the fort without Brian there were no belly rubs.	
2	Near the end of December when the temperature dipped to a bone-chilling 30 degrees the Humvees again rumbled up to the border fort.	
3	Long lonely weeks passed without any sight of that tri of Humvees the Marines called Scout Boss and Chuck.	

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2	Near the end of December, when the temperature dipped to a bone-chilling 30 degrees, the Humvees again rumbled up to the border fort.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> comma is used to set off non-essential items
3	Long, lonely weeks passed without any sight of that tri of Humvees the Marines called Scout, Boss, and Chuck.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> commas between adjectives commas between a list

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1	Shivering from pain Nubs allowed Brian and the team medic to clean the wound and apply antiseptic ointment from the men's first-aid kits.	
1	It hurt so much he tried to sleep standing up.	
1	The next day Nubs watched as Brian and his team prepared to leave.	
1	Determined not to be left behind again Nubs chased after Brian.	
3	Two long weeks later Scout Boss and Chuck thundered up to Nub's fort again.	
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	<p>Number of commas to insert: 2</p>	<p>A few days later he found a brand-new doghouse built just for him.</p>
	<p>1</p>	<p>He made dog-angels rolling over and over in the freshly fallen snow.</p>
	<p>1</p>	<p>Nubs watched Brian climb into Boss ordering his team back to the Command Outpost just half a mile away.</p>
	<p>1</p>	<p>When Nubs saw Brian he ran with his tongue out and tail wagging right into his arms.</p>
	<p>2</p>	<p>A team member ran inside shouting to Brian "you're not going to believe who's here!"</p>
	<p>2</p>	<p>Two snowy days and 70 miles later Nubs limped into the Iraqi battalion headquarters where Brian was working.</p>
	<p>2</p>	<p>With barely a moment's rest Nubs pushed on fighting his way through territories fiercely protected by wolves and wild dogs.</p>

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2	A few days later, he found a brand-new doghouse, built just for him.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • introductory clause • comma is used to set off non-essential items
1	He made dog-angels, rolling over and over in the freshly fallen snow.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • introductory clause
1	Nubs watched Brian climb into Boss, ordering his team back to the Command Outpost just half a mile away.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • introductory clause
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1	Together they drove to No Man's Land and the zone between Iraq and Jordan.	
2	There they met the brother of Brian's interpreter who had agreed to help get Nubs from Jordan to the States.	
1	When it was time to go Brian scooped him up and put him in Boss.	
1	On the last day Brian packed Nubs's brown blanket and his favorite super-hero toy.	
1	Nubs sat close by as Brian e-mailed his family and friends back home and he supervised the men as they put up flyers to raise the money needed for his journey.	
1	He cheered up his new friends collecting belly rubs and making them laugh.	
3	Starving and exhausted from his ordeal Nubs wolfed down pancakes eggs and sausages the Marines brought him.	

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