

Tekst 10 The Terrible Privacy of Maxwell Sim

- 1p 34 Which of the following statements about Stuart is true?
- A He and the narrator were colleagues in a department store for a while.
 - B He made the narrator realise that close friendships are an illusion.
 - C His behaviour posed a threat to the relationship between the narrator and Caroline.
 - D His driving problems were caused by his inability to handle the heavy traffic in Sydney.
- 2p 35 Bepaal voor elke van de onderstaande beweringen over de hoofdpersoon of deze wel of niet in overeenstemming is met hoofdstuk 1.
- 1 Hij werd afgeleid door een vrouw toen Stuart het de eerste keer over zijn problemen had.
 - 2 Hij wordt aan Stuart herinnerd omdat hij in hetzelfde restaurant zit als waar hij met Stuart en Caroline heeft gegeten.
 - 3 Hij adviseerde Stuart om te stoppen met autorijden.
 - 4 Hij had zijn vader uitgenodigd om een familievete bij te leggen.
- Noteer “wel” of “niet” achter elk nummer op het antwoordblad.

The newspaper article below **precedes** chapter 1 in the novel *The Terrible Privacy of Maxwell Sim*, by Jonathan Coe.

Salesman found naked in car

Grampian Police patrolling the snowbound stretch of the A93 between Braemar and Spittal of Glenshee on Thursday night spotted a car apparently abandoned at the side of the road just below the Glenshee Ski Centre.

On closer inspection it became clear that the unconscious driver was still inside the car. Clothes belonging to the middle-aged man, who was almost naked, were found scattered throughout the vehicle. On the passenger seat beside him were two empty whisky bottles.

The mystery deepened as the policemen inspected the boot of the car and found two cardboard boxes containing more than 400 toothbrushes, as well as a large black bin liner filled with picture postcards of the Far East.

The man was suffering from severe hypothermia and was flown to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary by air ambulance. He was later identified as Mr Maxwell Sim, aged 48, of Watford, England.

Mr Sim was a salesman employed on a freelance basis by Guest Toothbrushes of Reading, a company specializing in ecologically friendly oral hygiene products. The company had gone into liquidation that morning.

Mr Sim has made a full recovery and is believed to have returned to his home in Watford. Police have not yet confirmed whether they will press charges for drink driving.

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- 1p 36 Geeft de schrijver een aanwijzing dat Maxwell Sim uit het krantenartikel *Salesman found naked in car* en de ik-figuur uit hoofdstuk 1 dezelfde persoon zijn?
Zo nee, antwoord "Nee". Zo ja, citeer het zinsgedeelte dat je antwoord ondersteunt.