ANNOUNCER:
From your friends at PBS Kids.

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
We are the Wombats!

MALIK: Malik!
ZADIE: Zadie!

ZEKE: Zeke!
And my stuffie, Snout.

ALL:
♫ And you are our Wombuddies ♫

♫ Best-ever friends ♫

♫ Can you come,
won't you come? ♫

♫ Come to our playdate ♫

♫ We'll sing and dance
and play pretend ♫

♫ Can you come,
won't you come? ♫

♫ Come to our playdate ♫

♫ Come on, Wombuddies! ♫

♫ Can you come,
won't you come? ♫
Come to our playdate.

MALIK: "Detective Playdate."

ZADIE: Wombuddies, whenever you hear this sound...

(bells chime)

...we're going to ask you to do or say something.

ZEKE: Welcome to our detective playdate,

which will be super fun.

ZADIE: Today we're gonna help Mr. E discover what's causing a mysterious...

(singing loudly):
♫ Noise. ♫

ZEKE: Ah! Stop!

You're hurting my ears!

MALIK: Will you be detectives with us, Wombuddies?

And help us find out what's causing the noise
that's bothering Mr. E?

(bells chime)

MALIK:
Yahoo!

Okay, so the first thing that detectives do is...

ZEKE:
Put on detective hats?

MALIK: Nope, detectives don't need hats.

They just need to ask questions and look for clues.

ZADIE:
Let's call Mr. E and ask him about the strange noise he's been hearing.

(footsteps run, button clicks)

(kazoo plays fanfare, intercom feedback squeaks)

MR. E (over intercom):
Hello, it's Mr. E
from the Everything Emporium,

where we sell everything,
except polka-dotty socks.

We're all out of those, today.

Who's calling, please?

ZADIE: It's us, Mr. E.

Detectives Zadie, Malik, Zeke

and the Detective Wombuddies.

You asked us to do some
detective work for you?

MR. E (over intercom): Indeedy, I did.

I want you to find out
what's causing

that strange, mystifying,
creepy-crawly noise!

ZADIE: Can you describe
this noise, Mr. E?

MR. E: Well, like I said,
it's strange and creepy-crawly.

Listen!

MALIK: Mr. E, we're not
hearing a noise.
MR. E (over intercom): That's the problem!

It's not an all-the-time noise.

It's a some-of-the-time noise.

You never know when it's gonna...

(clacking four times, rattling)

MR. E: There! Did you hear the noise?

Ooh, it makes my skin shiver. (gasps)

'Cause I don't know what's causing it.

That's why I need your help!

(clacking four times, rattling)

MALIK: Huh. I don't think I've ever heard that noise before.

Time for us detectives to gather some clues.

ZADIE: We're on it, Mr. E.

We'll call you when we find out
what's causing the mysterious noise. Bye.

MR. E: (exclaims) Thank you bigly! Ta-ta!

(kazoo blows)

ZADIE: First clue, it sounded kind of close, right?

So it must be coming from the Treeborhood.

(paper rustling, pen clicks)

MALIK: Writing that down on my detective pad.

(scribbling) "Clue Number One:

Sound is coming from the Treeborhood."

(clacking four times, rattling)

ZEKE: There it is again! The mysterious noise!

ZADIE: That's our next clue.

Like Mr. E said,
it's not an all-the-time sound.

We just hear it
some of the time.

MALIK (scribbling):
"Clue number two,
a sound you only hear
sometimes."

ZEKE: Let's listen closely,
Detective Wombuddies,

and see if we can hear
more clues.

(bells chime)

(clacking four times, rattling)

ZADIE:
Aha! Clue Number Three.

(bell dings)

It's actually
two different sounds.

First a clack, clack,
clack, clack.

ZEKE: Then a long...
(hisses)

MALIK: Let's all try
and make the sound.
Make the sound with us,
Detective Wombuddies.

(bells chime)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

(kids hissing)

Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

(kids hissing)

Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

(kids hissing)

MALIK:
Yeah!

That sounds just like the mysterious noise, Wombuddies.

ZADIE: Those clacks remind me of something I've heard before.

Mmm...
(gasps)

Yes! I know what's causing the clacking sound!

(footsteps running)
(pans clattering)

ZADIE:
Those clacks sound like us...

(spoon banging pot)
...when we're making

a parade in our house!
(bangs pot loudly)

(shouting):
And banging a metal pot

with a spoon!

ZEKE:
But we're not making the sound.

Who else in the Treeborhood could be banging on a metal pot?

MALIK:
Hmm...

ZADIE: There's lots of metal pots and spoons

at the Eat'n'Greet Café.

Maybe it's the sound of Duffy stirring cake batter in a bowl!

MALIK: Let's hop on over and check it out.
Hop with us,  
Detective Wombuddies.

Or just clap along.

(bells chime)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:  
♪ Hop, hop, hoppity hop ♪

♪ Searching for a sound ♪

♪ And we're never gonna stop. ♪

(doors open, footsteps running)

ZADIE: Here we are  
at the Eat'n'Greet Café.

Let's see if it's Duffy who's  
causing the mysterious noise.

(spoon beating  
and scraping bowl)

MALIK:  
Duffy is making a cake,

but her clacking on the bowl  
doesn't sound at all like...

(clacking four times, rattling)

ZADIE:  
That! Yeah.
It doesn't sound like
crack, crack, crack, crack.

MALIK: We also need to find out
what's causing the...

(rattling)
...hiss sound.

ZADIE:
It sort of sounds like water.

From a hose.

Maybe somebody's watering
their plants?

ZEKE:
Oh! Oh! Ellie waters her plants.

I know that because
I help her sometimes.

MALIK:
Let's march on over to Ellie's.

If you can't march, Wombuddies,
just clap your hands.

(bells chime)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
♫ March, march ♫

♫ March-ity march ♫

♫ Searching for a sound ♫
♪ And we're never gonna stop. ♪

ZEKE:
I see Ellie.

And she is watering her plants.

(water spraying and splashing)

ZADIE: But her hose makes a
glug-glug-glug-glug-glug sound,

and not a long...
(hisses)

And there's no clack either.

We need to find something
that clacks and hisses.

(clacking four times)

ZADIE:
Listen. There it is again!

(rattling)

(keeping time with clanking):
Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

Hiss.
(rattling)

ZEKE: Make the sound with us,
Wombuddies.
(bells chime)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

(wombats hiss, object rattles)

Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.

(wombats hiss, object rattles)

MALIK:
The mysterious noise sounds like

something hitting
something metal,

but it isn't Duffy
clacking the bowl.

ZADIE: And the noise
sounds like the water

coming out of the hose,

but it isn't Ellie
watering her plants.

Where else can we find water and
hoses that make a hiss sound?

ZEKE:
And metal things you can bang
to make a clack, clack,
clack sound.

MALIK: Hmm... the Sow'n'Grow Garden has all that stuff.

ZADIE: Worth a try.
Let's stomp on down, Wombuddies.

(bells chime)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
♫ Stomp, stomp, stompty stomp ♫
♫ Searching for a sound ♫
♫ And we're never gonna stop. ♫

(wind blowing)

ZEKE: Here we are
at the Sow'n'Grow Garden.
I hear the wind blowing.

MALIK: It's causing
the corn stalks to rustle.
(corn stalks rustling)

ZADIE: But I don't hear
the mysterious noise.
(sighs)
I guess it's time to call Mr. E
and give him the bad news.

(footsteps walking)

(button clicks, kazoo plays fanfare)

MR. E (over intercom):
Hello, it's Mr. E

from the Everything Emporium.

Happy to announce

that polka-dotty socks
are back in stock!

Order yours today.

ZADIE: Hi, Mr. E.
It's us, the detectives.

MR. E:
Excellent! Did you find out

what's causing
the mysterious noise?

ZADIE: We didn't.
(rattling)

And we looked everywhere.

(Wombats scream)
What's spraying us with water?

I'm getting wet.

MALIK: (gasps)
It's the mysterious noise!

Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.
(object clanking four times)

(object rattling, Malik hissing)

Clack. Clack. Clack. Clack.
(object clanking four times)

(Malik hisses, object rattles)

ZADIE:
It's the sprinkler!

Spraying water
on all the vegetables

and on us!

(sprinkler clanks four times,
rattling)

MALIK:
When the sprinkler moves,

it makes the clack, clack sound.

And when water comes out
of the sprinkler,
it makes the hiss sound.

ZEKE:
The water feels kind of good.

It's so hot out today.

MR. E:
Ah, thank you for solving

the mystery of
the mysterious noise.

I'll jump in my bathing suit
and be right over.

Bye!

(kazoo plays fanfare)

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE:
♫ Jump, jump ♫

♫ Jump in the spray ♫

♫ All the splooshy water ♫

♫ Makes us wanna play. ♫

ZADIE:
Join us, Wombuddies!

MALIK/ZADIE/ZEKE: ♫ Jump, jump, jump in the spray ♫
♪ All the splooshy water ♪

♪ Makes us wanna play! ♪

ZADIE: See you at our next playdate, Detective Wombuddies!

Bye!

ZADIE: Thanks for listening, Wombuddies.

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