

A TRUE STORY

Listen to a true story. There are five mistakes in the summary of the story below. Find and correct them.

Maggie and Joe Smith lived in the same house for fifteen years. When Joe died, Maggie sold the house to David Jones. A few years later, Maggie heard someone say that Jones had found some money in her old house. Jones told her there was \$10,000 in the wall. He offered her \$5,000. She agreed. A few days later, Jones asked Maggie to sign a contract that said she should accept \$5,000 for any money found in the garden. She didn't sign it. Instead, she took Jones to court. In court, he told the truth: there wasn't \$10,000. There was \$15,000. Joe Smith, Maggie's husband, was putting money in the wall for fifty years and he never told his wife. In the end, the judge decided that Mr Jones should get all the money.

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TAPESCRIPT:

Maggie and Joe Smith lived in the same house for fifty years. When Maggie was eighty-six-years old, Joe died. The house was very big so Maggie decided to move. She sold the house to a businessman called David Jones. A few weeks later, Maggie was at the hairdresser when she heard someone say that the new owner, David Jones, had found some money in her old house. She contacted Mr Jones. He told her there was \$10,000 hidden in the wall. Then he said they could share the money: \$5,000 for him and \$5,000 for her. She agreed. A few days later, Mr Jones visited Maggie Smith. He had a contract. The contract said that Maggie Smith should agree to accept \$5,000 for any money found in or around the house. Mrs Smith thought this was very strange. She didn't sign it. In fact, she took Mr Jones to court. In court, Mr Jones told the truth: there wasn't \$10,000. There was &150,000 in the walls, mainly in \$50 or \$100 notes. Joe Smith, Maggie's husband, was putting money in the wall for fifty years and he never told his wife. So what happened in the end? The judge decided that Maggie Smith should get all of the money. David Jones got nothing.