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Three monks disguised themselves as peasants and began a journey that took them 2 years. They finally found a little village that had a house with a turquoise roof, oddly shaped gutters, and even had a little brown dog in the front yard. It was near a monastery that had a beautiful gold and jade roof. So the three monks asked if they could stay the night with this family. There were nine children in this family, and all the children were interested in these guests.

Two-year-old Tenzin Gyatso went right up to the oldest of the monks and grabbed the rosary he was wearing and said, "**Mine**". This was something you would expect a 2-year-old to do, but the rosary had indeed belonged to the last Dalai Lama.

The monk, disguised as a peasant, said to the boy:

Do you know who I am?

The child said:

You are Lobsang Tsewang from the monastery.

He had called the monk by his name, but he was never told his name before. The monks were excited, but they left the next day without revealing who they were.

Soon they returned and brought with them six items that had belonged to the last Dalai Lama and six items that did not. They laid all the items out on the floor of the small house. The little boy correctly picked up the 6 items that were "**his**."

They looked closely at the small boy. He had eyebrows that turned up and "tiger markings" on his legs. All of the previous Dalai Lamas had these markings.

The monks knew they had found the 14th Dalai Lama.

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