

# ATTENTION AU TAUREAU – A HOLIDAY STORY



CODE 213

Fertigkeit	Lesen
Relevante(r) Deskriptor(en)	<b>Deskriptor 6:</b> Kann einfache literarische Texte (z.B. fiktionale Texte, Lieder und Gedichte) verstehen. (B1)
Themenbereich(e)	Erlebnisse und Fantasiewelt
Zeitbedarf	12 bis 15 Minuten
Länge des Lesetextes	313 Wörter
Material- und Medienbedarf	Schreibmaterial
Besondere Bemerkungen, Hinweise zur Durchführung	---
Quelle	Heindler, Dagmar, et. al. <i>Your Ticket to English 4. Coursebook</i> . Wien: öbv & hpt, 2002. S. 35. [adaptiert]




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Read the text about Ronnie's and Maggie's holiday in France.  
There are 5 gaps. Find out where the sentences below (1 – 7) should go.

**Be careful – 2 sentences do NOT fit!**

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- (2) It was coming directly towards us.
- (3) But he didn't know exactly what it meant.
- (4) There was even a little hill with trees on it.
- (5) However, the bull immediately stood up.
- (6) So we decided to go into a field to have a picnic.
- (7) However, the bull began to get nearer and nearer.

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