



## Attention Au Taureau – A Holiday Story

Level:	B1
Topic:	The world of work, hobbies and interests
Competence area:	Reading for main idea and supporting details
CEFR Descriptor:	Can understand a travel diary mainly describing the events of a journey and the experiences and discoveries of the writer.
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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!**

- (1) There were no trees, but lovely flowers and many butterflies.
- (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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sign into English. [ ] The gate wasn't locked and there didn't seem to be anything in the field. So we thought it would be alright to go in.

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Suddenly we heard a strange noise. When we looked up, we saw a big bull on the other side of the field. [ ] What could we do? We just got up and ran leaving everything where it was.

I don't think I've ever run so fast in my life. [ ] When we reached the gate I didn't stop to open it. I just jumped over and pulled Ronnie after me. And guess what? Later we found out that "Attention au taureau" means "Beware of the bull" in English.

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**1 and 5 don't fit!**