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Two hundred shops

Katy ran to the bus. She was happy. Today there was a visit to a museum and then ... a shopping centre! She still had earache, but she didn't want to say anything about it.

She got on the bus. There was only one place to sit. It was next to Riley, the stupid boy with his stupid lollipops.

'Hi,' Riley said. 'I'm sorry about the other day. I wasn't very nice.'

A lollipop was in his hand. 'Do you want a lollipop?' he asked.

Katy didn't say anything. She was still a little angry with Riley, but he was very nice today. She took the lollipop and sat down next to him.

They talked and talked. They liked the same books and computer games, music and films. After an hour on the bus they were good friends.

The campers on the bus also talked and laughed. They made a lot of noise.

'Are you OK?' Riley asked. Katy's hand was over her ear.

'It's the noise. Please don't tell anyone, but I've got earache. I don't want to see the doctor. I want to go to the shopping centre,' Katy said.

Riley looked at Katy for a minute. 'I need to tell *you* something too. I can't hear very well. I'm a little deaf⁵.'

'What? But you can hear me,' Katy said.

‘I can also read lips,’ Riley replied. ‘And I sometimes put this in my ear. But it’s not very nice to wear.’ He had something small in his hand. It was a hearing aid⁶.

‘Wow!’ Katy said. She looked at the camp director. Ms Averly was at the front of the bus next to George. ‘What’s Ms Averly saying now?’

‘She’s telling George about the shopping centre. She’s saying that there are two hundred shops.’



‘Wow!’ Katy said again.

The bus stopped. They were at the museum. George and Ms Averly gave everyone an MP3 player.

Katy looked at Riley. ‘MP3 players? Are we going to listen to music?’

‘We’re going to use these MP3 players on our visits,’ Ms Averly said. ‘They have lots of information’ about the things in the museums and shopping centres. Please try them now.’

Katy and Riley tried their MP3 players.

‘This isn’t good for my earache,’ Katy said to Riley. ‘I can’t use it and I can’t say why not!’

Riley took Katy’s MP3 player and pushed some buttons on it.



‘Try it now,’ he said.

‘Hey. There’s no sound. I can’t hear anything on it now. What did you do?’ Katy said.

Riley smiled. ‘Maybe I’m not a stupid boy with stupid lollipops,’ he said.

Katy looked at Riley and laughed. ‘You read my lips!’ she said. ‘On the first day!’

‘Of course,’ Riley said and he smiled.

‘Are your MP3 players working?’ Ms Averly asked everyone.

‘Yes!’ everyone on the bus replied. Katy and Riley shouted ‘Yes!’ too.

‘OK. Let’s go!’ Ms Averly got off the bus and walked into the museum.

The visit was short. After half an hour they were on the bus again. Fifteen minutes later they stopped at a very big shopping centre.

Ms Averly spoke. ‘Campers, there are two hundred shops here. Please meet at the bus in two hours.’

Katy wanted to run into the shopping centre, but the other campers were very slow.

For over an hour Katy and Riley went to lots of shops. They looked at DVDs, books, computer games ... everything!

In a sports shop, Riley turned to Katy. ‘Why aren’t you buying anything?’ he asked. ‘You love shopping.’

‘Yes, but first I look in *all* the shops.’

‘Me too! We’re going to be very good friends!’ Riley laughed.

Later they went into a music shop.

‘Hey look,’ Riley said. ‘They’re from our camp.’

Riley and Katy watched the campers.

‘That’s strange⁸,’ Riley said.

‘What?’ Katy asked. ‘They aren’t doing anything.’

‘Yes. That’s it! They aren’t doing *anything*,’ he said again. ‘They’re just standing there and listening to their MP3 players.’

‘Look! There’s George. He’s watching the campers too,’ Katy said.



‘Hmm ... strange campers and a strange bus driver. Very interesting,’ Riley said.

‘You watch too much TV!’ Katy laughed. ‘Come on. We need to go back now.’

‘Leave your bags and rucksacks here in front of the bus, please,’ Ms Averly said to the campers. ‘George can put them on the bus. At camp go to dinner. George is going to take your bags to your cabins.’



On the bus Katy looked out the window. ‘George is doing something with my rucksack.’

‘He’s just putting it on the bus,’ Riley said.

‘Maybe you’re right,’ Katy said.

She turned to the girl behind her.

‘Hello,’ she said. ‘What did you buy?’

‘I don’t know,’ the girl replied.

‘I don’t understand’ Katy said. ‘What did you get at the shopping centre?’

‘I don’t know,’ the girl said again.

Katy looked at Riley. ‘Now that *is* strange!’ Katy stopped speaking. There wasn’t a sound on the bus. She looked at the boys and girls. They were all quiet.

‘And why is it quiet now? What’s wrong with everyone?’

LOOKING BACK

- 1 Check your answers to *Before you read* on page 4.

ACTIVITIES

- 2 Complete the sentences with the names in the box.

Katy (H)

Riley (H)

- 1 Katy doesn't want to go to summer camp.
- 2 has got earache.
- 3 eats a lollipop on the first day at Camp Idlewood.
- 4 doesn't like the first day at Camp Idlewood.
- 5 wants to go to the shopping centre very much.
- 6 can't hear very well.
- 7 has got a hearing aid.
- 8 can read people's lips.

- 3 Underline the correct words in each sentence.

- 1 Katy thinks that thirteen year-old girls *go* / *don't go* to summer camp.
- 2 Katy's mum tells her to look at a website about a *summer camp* / *shopping centre*.
- 3 Katy's dad *thinks* / *doesn't think* she's got earache.
- 4 *George* / *Ms Averly* is the director of Camp Idlewood.
- 5 Katy tells *nobody* / *Riley* about her earache.
- 6 Katy and Riley *think* / *don't think* that George and some of the campers are strange.

- 4 Who or what do the underlined words refer to in these lines from the text?

MP3 players Camp Idlewood the campers
Ms Averly Katy and Riley ~~Katy's mum and dad~~

- 1 Oh Katy. Stop! We understand (page 7)
Katy's mum and dad
- 2 'What did she say?' (page 8)
- 3 'Why did I come here?' (page 9)
- 4 Please try them now. (page 12)
- 5 Later they went into a music shop. (page 13)
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- 6 'They're from our camp.' (page 14)

- 5 Answer the questions.

- 1 Why is Katy's mum angry?
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- 2 Why doesn't Riley answer the camp helpers?
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- 3 Why are Katy and Riley going to be good friends?
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LOOKING FORWARD

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- 6 Tick (✓) what you think happens in Chapters 3 and 4.

- 1 Katy leaves Camp Idlewood. ☐
- 2 Katy and Riley see the campers taking things. ☐