

Stories for Lipreading



DESPERATE FOR WATER.

[This text is read aloud at the beginning of this video:]

Welcome to Stories for Lipreading. If you haven't used our website before, we suggest you look at our 'How to Use' page before you begin. We hope you enjoy this story joke, which is called 'Desperate for Water'.

Desperate for Water.

A man had been stranded in the desert for days. He was desperate for water. Finally, on the horizon he saw something. He staggered towards it, hoping to find water - but when he got there he discovered it was an old man with a market stall selling ties.

'Have you got any water?' the traveller croaked.

The old man looked him up and down. 'No, I haven't got any water - but would you like to buy a tie? They're only £30 each.'

'You fool!' the man shouted. 'I don't need an over-priced tie; I need water! I'm desperate!'

The old man shrugged. 'Oh well, it doesn't matter that you don't want to buy a tie. If you go over that hill and head east for about 2 miles, you'll find a lovely restaurant. It has all the ice-cold water you could want.'

The man groaned and set off towards the hill.

Several hours later, he came staggering back, looking even worse. As he lurched up to the old man, he reached into his pocket and pulled out his wallet.

'I found the restaurant,' he croaked, 'but your blasted brother won't let me in without a tie.'