

Stories for Lipreading



THE GOAT.

[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 joke, which is called 'The Goat'.

The Goat.

Two tourists were out walking in the Australian bush. As they were walking along, they came upon a huge, deep hole in the ground. They went closer, leaned over the edge, and were amazed at its size.

"Wow!" said the first tourist. "That's some hole! I can't even see the bottom. I wonder how deep it is."

"I don't know," said the second tourist. "Let's throw something down there, listen, and see how long it takes to hit the bottom."

They looked around for something suitable. Then the first tourist said "Hey, look! There's an old gear box from a van over there. Give me a hand and we'll throw it in and see."

So they picked up the gear box, carried it over to the hole, counted one – two – three, and heaved it in.

They were standing there, looking over the edge of the hole and listening, when they heard a rustling behind them. As they turned around, they saw a goat come crashing through the underbrush, rush up to the hole, and, without hesitation, jump in head first.

The two men looked at each other in amazement and then peered into the hole, trying to work out why the goat had done that.

Just then an old farmer ambled up. "Hey there," said the farmer, "you fellers didn't happen to see my goat around here anywhere, did you?"

"Well," said the first tourist, "funny you should ask. We were just standing here a minute ago, and a goat came running out of the bushes doing about a hundred miles an hour and jumped head first into this here hole!"

"Naw, that's impossible," said the old farmer. "I had him chained to a gear box."