

A Storm at the Lake

Level: A2

Read about a family camping trip and a storm, then do the exercises. You can listen to the sentences, too.

Reading text

When I was a child, my family used to go camping every summer. We used to sleep in a small tent by a lake. Last July, we went there again. The weather was warm and sunny on Friday, so we swam in the lake all afternoon. In the evening, my dad cooked sausages on a small fire. We told stories until it was dark.

On Saturday morning, the sky was grey. While we were eating breakfast, the wind started to blow. Then it began to rain. My mum was washing the cups when we heard thunder. We ran to the car and waited inside. The storm was very loud, and my little sister was crying. Nobody wanted to get out of the car.

After an hour, the rain stopped. The tent was wet, but the sun came out again. We put our wet clothes on the trees and had a cold lunch. Later that day, we saw a beautiful rainbow over the lake. It was an exciting weekend, and we never forgot it.

Glossary

camping	sleeping outside in a tent on holiday
tent	a small house made of cloth, for sleeping outside
lake	a big place with water, with land all around it
sausages	long, thin food made of meat
sky	the space above us, where we see clouds and the sun
wind	air that moves outside
thunder	the loud noise in the sky in a storm
storm	very bad weather with strong wind and rain
wet	covered with water
rainbow	a curve of many colours in the sky after rain

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer

Select the option that answers the question.

- What did the family use to do every summer?
a) Stay at home b) Go camping c) Visit the sea
- What was the weather like on Friday?
a) Cold and rainy b) Grey and windy c) Warm and sunny
- What was the mum doing when the family heard thunder?
a) Washing the cups b) Reading a book c) Cooking sausages

Exercise 2: Right or wrong?

Decide whether each sentence is correct.

- 4. The family went camping again last July. True / False
- 5. The rain stopped after a whole day. True / False
- 6. The family waited in the car during the storm. True / False

Exercise 3: Match the words

Match each word with its meaning.

- 7. tent → _____
- 8. thunder → _____
- 9. wet → _____
- 10. rainbow → _____

a curve of many colours in the sky after rain a small house made of cloth, for sleeping outside
covered with water the loud noise in the sky in a storm

Exercise 4: Listen and choose

Listening: online only.

Exercise 5: Listen and write

Listening: online only.

Answer key

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer

1. b) Go camping
2. c) Warm and sunny
3. a) Washing the cups

Exercise 2: Right or wrong?

4. True
5. False
6. True

Exercise 3: Match the words

7. tent → a small house made of cloth, for sleeping outside
8. thunder → the loud noise in the sky in a storm
9. wet → covered with water
10. rainbow → a curve of many colours in the sky after rain

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