



I Textarbeit

Text 1

Meet a Canadian grizzly bear

- 1 Little boys and girls often have a best friend: Their teddy bear is always with them when they are sad and lonely. So bears are a part of our culture but most of us can never see one in real life in Europe.
- 5 However, there are about 75,000 grizzlies left in the USA and Canada. Many companies organize bear watching safaries for nature lovers.



- 10 Julius Strauss, the owner of the 'Grizzly Bear Ranch' says: "Some years ago, I worked as a reporter in Kosovo and in different other places in the world. My new job here is not as dangerous as my old one, but it never gets boring. The ranch lies by a beautiful river at the bottom of the Rocky Mountains. Between May and October the bears come down from the mountains to catch fish in the river. Sometimes I can see up to ten bears a day. I spend my days driving around tourists in a jeep to show them these fascinating animals. Bears are not typically dangerous if you follow our rules and are careful. But they live in wilderness and are so strong that they even could kill a lion. I love my bears and I want everyone to know just how beautiful they are."

- 20 What makes him angry is that the Canadian law still allows shooting the animals. He hopes that grizzly watching will become more and more interesting to tourists from all over the world. Then Canada's government will perhaps stop bear hunting.
Maybe you cannot fly to Canada – but what about a really nice bear video in easy English? Check out <http://greatbear tours.com/moviePOP.htm>.

(275 words)
Adapted from Read On 2/2009

Annotations

law (line 17) – Gesetz
allows (line 17) – gestattet
hunting (line 19) - Jagd



1 Questions on the text

Answer in complete English sentences, please.

1.1 How many grizzlies are left in the USA and Canada?

2 P

1.2 Why do the bears come down from the mountains?

2 P

1.3 What makes Mr Strauss angry?

2 P



2 Aussagen über den Text

10 P

Kreuzen Sie an, ob folgende Aussagen richtig oder falsch sind. Kreuzen Sie nur an, wenn Sie sich sicher sind. Falsches Ankreuzen führt zu Punktabzug. Im Zweifel kreuzen Sie nichts an.

Aussagen		richtig	falsch
2.1	Kinder lieben es, in Europa Bären zu sehen.		
2.2	In den USA und Kanada gibt es 75.000 Teddybären.		
2.3	Julius Strauss arbeitet heute in Kanada.		
2.4	Früher war er Arzt im Kosovo.		
2.5	Die Bären kommen im Winter zum Fluss um Fische zu fangen.		
Statements		true	false
2.6	Lions often kill grizzly bears.		
2.7	Mr Strauss takes visitors on bear watching tours.		
2.8	It is not allowed to shoot bears in Canada.		
2.9	Mr Strauss hopes many tourists will come for bear watching in the future.		
2.10	There are bear videos in the internet.		



3 Finish the sentences

4 P

Use only information from the text, please.

3.1 Little children love teddy bears because ...

3.2 On a normal working day Mr Strauss ...

3.3 The Canadian government should stop ...

3.4 If you want to see a bear video ...

4 Matching

5 P

Match the beginnings 4.1 – 4.5 to five of the endings A) – G) according to the text.
Two endings do not match.

4.1 When Julius Strauss was a reporter ...

4.2 Now he takes tourists ...

4.3 Bears are so strong ...

4.4 When you want to see bears in real life ...

4.5 When children are in bed ...

- A) ... and shows them around in his jeep.
- B) ... you can book a bear watching safari.
- C) ... by watching a video in the internet.
- D) ... are lonely and sad.
- E) ... they love to have their teddy bear with them.
- F) ... that they are able to kill a lion.
- G) ... he worked in different countries.



5 Vocabulary work

5 P

Find the word in the text.

5.1 a person who writes for a newspaper

5.2 an animal which lives in the water

Give the opposite:

5.3 always (line 2)

5.4 easy (line 20)

Give a synonym:

5.5 love (line 15)



6 Grammar

10 P

6.1 Fill in the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

Nine years ago, Neil and Amy _____ (spend / are spending / spent)
four weeks in Canada. "We _____ (books / have booked / booked)
a hotel room in a very lonely area. We _____ (go / went / have gone)
fishing and bear watching. It was very romantic , but we _____
(didn't have / haven't / haven't got) any electricity there.

Next year we _____ (returned / were returning / will return) to this
wonderful place."

6.2 Fill in the following English words.

as small as / better / of / their / most exciting

Our valley is one _____ the few places in the world
where you can watch totally wild grizzlies in _____ natural
environment. We keep the number of our guests _____
possible because we know that this is _____
for nature.

Come to our ranch to have the _____ holidays of your life!



Text 2

1 School exchange in Ireland

Last year Lisa Schröder, 18, was an exchange student at St. Augustine's College near Dublin. This is what she says about her school year in Ireland where she was for 10 months:

- 5 "I was very happy when I first met my host family. John and Audrey Donovan have four children. This was ideal for me, because I also come from a big family and they made me feel at home. Of course, I was a little bit homesick at first, but there was so much to do all the day that I didn't have time to get
- 10 sad.



- 15 In Ireland the school day is long, from 9.00 am to 3.45 pm. There are a few differences to German schools. For example, the classes are much smaller. And students can choose the subjects they take, but everyone has to do Irish, English and maths. I liked it at school, and I didn't have any problems with the English language. Some lessons, like maths, were easier, but others, for example biology, were more difficult in Ireland. Because I was an exchange student, I didn't have to do Irish, but I learned a few sentences just for fun."

(199 words)

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Annotations:

exchange (line 1) - Austausch
host family (line 5) - Gastfamilie
was homesick (line 8) – hatte Heimweh
choose (line 12) - auswählen



7 Mediation (Fortsetzung)

8 Statement

6 P

'It is important to learn English.'

Do you think this is true? Give your opinion.

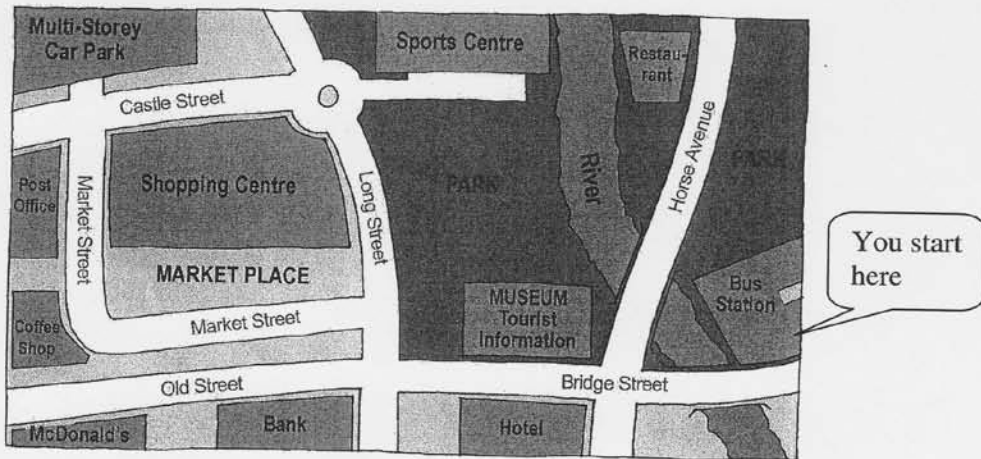
Write about 30 words in complete English sentences, please.



II Managing Situations

9 Giving directions

6 P



9.1 Lisa takes the bus to Dublin. She arrives at the bus station in Bridge Street and wants to go shopping. Tell her how she can get to the shopping centre in Castle Street.

9.2 After her shopping Lisa is hungry and wants to have a hot snack. Tell her the way from the shopping centre to the McDonald's restaurant in Old Street.



10 At the Tourist Information

7 P

Lisa is at the Dublin Tourist Information and asks the woman at the counter for some information.

Find the phrases A) – G) that fit in to 10.1 – 10.7

Woman: *Good afternoon Miss. How can I help you?*

10.1 Lisa: _____

Woman: *What do you want to know?*

10.2 Lisa: _____

Woman: *Let me see - I'm sorry, but the ones in the city centre are all full.*

10.3 Lisa: _____

Woman: *Yes, you could have a single room for EUR 60,- a night. Is that O.K.?*

10.4 Lisa: _____

Woman: *O.K. I'll book the room for you. Do you need anything else?*

10.5 Lisa: _____

Woman: *Yes, we do. They cost EUR 29,90. Would you like to have one?*

10.6 Lisa: _____

Woman: *Of course, we take VISA-Card and American Express.*

10.7 Lisa: _____

Woman: *Enjoy your stay in Dublin. Good-bye.*

- A) It's a lot of money but I'll take it.
- B) Yes, do you sell sweatshirts with a 'Dublin' print?
- C) I'm looking for a cheap hotel in the city centre for one night.
- D) Great, here's my card. Thanks for your help. Bye-bye!
- E) Yes please, I need size M. Can I pay with credit card?
- F) Oh, and what about the more expensive hotels in the city centre?
- G) Good afternoon. I need some information about Dublin.



11 Guided composition

6 P

You want to go on a school exchange to Ireland. Your English teacher wants you to write a short letter about yourself. In this letter you introduce yourself and say why you want to go to an Irish school.

Write about 50 words in complete English sentences, please. The list will help you.

- What's your name?
- How old are you?
- Where do you come from?
- Why do you want to go to an Irish school?
- How good is your English?

That's me!

My name is ...



Your first name and family name