

Exercise 6.1 Text following – Two jokes, joke 2

Speaker Copy

Listener Copy

Instructions from the Speaker to the Listener

I will read the following passage. Follow the passage by pointing to each word as I speak it. When I stop, repeat the last word I said. (The Speaker decides where to stop and should stop several times during the joke.)

Joke #2

A motorist driving through the country stopped for a hitch-hiker who was holding the halter of a cow.

‘I can give you a lift,’ he said, ‘But I can’t take your cow.’

‘Don’t worry,’ said the hitch-hiker. ‘She’ll follow us in her own time.’

So the hitch-hiker got in and the motorist started up. He drove at thirty miles an hour, and the cow trotted along behind him. He drove at forty miles an hour, and the cow was still trotting along behind him. He drove at fifty miles an hour, yet the cow was somehow managing to keep pace with him. But he noticed in his mirror that the cow seemed to be tiring, as her tongue was hanging out of her mouth.

‘I’m worried about your cow,’ said the motorist to his passenger, ‘Her tongue is hanging out of her mouth to the right.’

‘Oh, that’s all right,’ said the hitch-hiker, ‘That means she’s signaling to pass on the right!’

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