

Exercise 6.0 Text following – Two jokes, joke 1

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. Make several stops.)

Joke #1

Two old men who lived in a village deep in the country decided one day to take a trip to London. This meant they had to leave their village, get on a bus to the nearest town, and there catch the train for New York. It was all a big adventure for them, as they had never done anything like it before.

To eat on the journey, they had bought some bananas. They'd never eaten bananas before either.

They got on the train and were marveling at the speed. One man decided to try his banana, but just as he was taking a bite the train entered a tunnel.

'Have you eaten your banana yet?' he called out to his friend.

'No', replied his friend.

'Well, don't', said the first man. 'I took one bite of mine and went blind.'

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