

Wednesday 23rd June 2020

Guided reading – WALT - retrieve questions from information texts

WALT - answer questions involving authorial intent (What impression does the author want us to have?)

Hello chipmunks.

Yesterday we read an article from the 'Look Closer' newspaper.

We read about the Whale Shark. Hmmmm I found a Whale Shark in my Animal Crossing game...interesting!

Today we are going to read the 'Look Closer' article again. This time it is about animals that invade a town!



CRAZY BUT TRUE



Cattle invade town

HAVE you 'herd' about the cows which invaded a Welsh town?

Residents in the town of Tredegar were surprised when they saw cows peering in through their windows, eating flowers and trampling on their front gardens.

The cows moo-ved into the town after escaping from a nearby field. One local woman said: "We're used to having milk delivered to our doorstep but not the whole cow."

But people were getting annoyed with the roaming herd. There's cow poo everywhere and the local council have said they will look into it, (the situation, not the cow poo). They're hoping the cows will hoof it.

Questions -

Can you:

- Find the facts?
- Interpret the information?
- Work out why the journalist wrote and presented the story in the way that they did?



Carefully read the article 'Cattle invade town' and then answer the following questions:



1) In which **country** did cows invade a town this week?

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2) Name **two things** the cows were spotted doing in the town?

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3) In what different ways did the people who lived in the town **react** to the cow invasion?

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4) Why do you think people reacted in these ways?

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5) How would you react if cows invaded your street and why do you think this would be your reaction?

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6) The first sentence of a newspaper report should tell as much of the story as possible.

HAVE you 'herd' about the cows which invaded a Welsh town?

How many of the **five W questions** (*Who? What? Where? When? and Why?*) has the journalist managed to include in the opening sentence in this article?



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Answers -

1) In which country did cows invade a town this week?

Wales

2) Name two things the cows were spotted doing in the town?

Peering through windows / Eating flowers / Trampling on the grass

3) In what different ways did the people who lived in the town react to the cow invasion? **'surprised' and 'annoyed'**

More complex inference - Some were surprised or annoyed, others found it funny

4) Why do you think they reacted in these ways?

Surprised to find the cows in their front garden , Annoyed with the roaming herd

More complex inference - Surprised because they didn't expect to find the cows there. They usually live in the field but had escaped. - Annoyed because the cows were destroying the gardens, leaving cow poo everywhere and it could have been frightening for some people as cows are very large animals. They wanted the problem sorted out. - Amused because it was funny that the cows were out of place. You never usually see cows in gardens and in the street they are usually in fields.

5) How would you react if cows invaded your street and why do you think this would be your reaction?

6) The first sentence of a newspaper report should tell as much of the story as possible. HAVE you 'herd' about the cows which invaded a Welsh town? How many of the five W questions has the journalist managed to include in the opening sentence in this article? **Who? cows Where? Welsh town What? invaded - We don't find out when and why in this sentence.**