

Listening comprehension 2:

1-Understanding the document

- a- on the scene of a Beating
- b- at Boston, more than 15 years ago
- c- if people can miss seen what is clearly in front of them
- d- In the journal I-perception
- e- A question: It is possible to look at something really obvious and not seeing it
- f- The impression we have on how our mind works don't match the reality
- g- January 9 1995, police had a radio call saying that an officer had been shot, and 4 black suspects were escaping by car. It resulted in a police chase, who is the longest in police history. More than 20 cruisers were involved. The four suspects jump off the car and run in different directions. The first policeman out of the car to chase them was an undercover policeman Mickel Coaks à black officer. And unfortunately the other officers thought that he was one of the suspects and went after him. Keny Conley, a white officer is the person who inspired this experiment, recognizes a suspect and chases him and runs in front of the beating. He was close (5 yards away) then they realised it was a terrible mistake. But instead of helping him, they disappear. Then no one of them admitted that they saw the beating. No one saw anything. Something like 40 reports this night and no one says that they saw the beating. Mickel had to stop working for 6 month due to injuries. Only Keny admitted he was right there but says that he sees anything and he doesn't know why. Investigators didn't believe him, they thought he was protecting other officers. He was indicted for perjury and obstruction of justice and went to prison.
- h- Inattentional blindness, when people failed to see things in front of them
- i- Simulate the kind of real world environment that Keny experimented, a close as possible. Maintain their attention just like Keny was focused on the chase

j- Only a third of the subjects ($\frac{1}{3}$), a little bit better if it happens the day (60%)

k- People don't see everything around them, but they think that they will and it leads to a lot of mistakes

2-Language work

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6. Websites with graphics are more inviting than those written in plain text, so you **may** like to insert some graphics into your documents.
7. **Could** I use your laptop ? I need to print out this report.

3-Summary:

In short, this audio document reports a study on Inattentional Blindness. It's just the fact of not seeing something that is clearly happening in front of our eyes.

For researchers, this idea comes from an event that happened in Boston over 15 years ago. In a chase between 4 people suspected of having shot a policeman, and around 20 police patrols. The police officer, Mickel Coaks was mistaken for one of the suspects and was arrested and beaten by other officers. Another officer, Keny Conley runs into this scene while chasing another suspect. None of the 40 officers' reports admit that they have seen the beating except Keny's report who admits being present but saw nothing.

Investigators believe he was trying to cover up his comrades and he will be sentenced to jail.

These researchers simulated the conditions of this event with volunteer students, to see if it was possible to witness a scene without seeing it. These students were placed in similar conditions, with very strict instructions and they simulate a fight with 3 actors.

Only a third of these students say they saw the fight when it happened at night, compared to 60% when it happened during the day.