

Countryside

Conversation > Intermediate 6



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

powerful	Having a lot of power to control people and events.
[adjective]	Ex: She's the most powerful person in the organization.

creature	An animal or living being.
[noun]	Ex: There are many creatures in the sea.

furious	Extremely angry.
[adjective]	Ex: Tigers get furious if their cubs are in danger.



no wonder It is not surprising. [phrase] Ex: You couldn't sleep last night? No wonder you look sleepy.

quite something	Interesting or impressive.
[noun]	Ex: Having a farm these days is quite something.

useful	Able to be used for a particular task or in many situations.
[adjective]	Ex: A flashlight is useful at night.



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Mia: I can't remember the last time I rode a horse. Being in the countryside makes me feel so good.

Joe: Me, too. I love the fresh air. Anyway, I have never ridden a horse. Will you teach me?

Mia: Sure. It is very easy. Horses are very gentle.

Joe: Come to think of it, I remember being scared of horses in my childhood, but I don't know why.

Mia: Well, horses are one of the most powerful creatures in the world. Their legs are very strong.

Joe: Wow, seriously?



Mia: If they get furious, they could hurt people, Joe.

Joe: No wonder I was scared.

Mia: How about other animals? For example, I think that pigs are kind of cute.

Joe: Hmm... I know it's not true that pigs are dirty, but I still don't like them. Cows are quite something.

Mia: Why do you think so, Joe?

Joe: They are gentle and calm, and they produce milk. Cows are very useful.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

powerful

creature

useful

furious

No wonder

quite something

- 1. A pocket knife is _____ in many situations.
- 2. She got _____ when she found out that he was cheating on her.
- 3. Earning that much money is _____.
- 4. I've never seen such an odd _____.
- 5. _____ you don't speak with her. She's very mean.
- 6. I get the impression that Megan is the _____ one in that relationship.



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You and your friend Julie are planning a one-day trip to a farm, discuss what you want to see and do there. The teacher can be Julie.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

- 1. Where is the most beautiful place in the countryside in your country? What is it like?
- 2. Have you ever ridden a horse? Please share your experience.
- 3. Do you prefer living in the city or in the countryside? Why?
- 4. You are going to spend a week in the countryside. What do you want to take with you?
- 5. Are places where you pay to ride a horse popular in your country?