# Lesson 75: Fools

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“To end our special news bulletin," said the voice of the television announcer, “we're going over to the macaroni fields of Calabria.”

Macaroni has been grown in this area for over six hundred years.

Two of the leading growers, Giuseppe Moldova and Riccardo Brabante, tell me that they have been expecting a splendid crop this year, and harvesting has begun earlier than usual.

Here you can see two workers who, between them, have just finished cutting three cartloads of golden brown macaroni stalks.

The whole village has been working day and night gathering and threshing this year's crop before the September rains.

On the right, you can see Mrs. Brabante herself.

She has been helping her husband for thirty years now.

Mrs. Brabante is talking to the manager of the local factory where the crop is processed.

This last scene shows you what will happen at the end of the harvest: the famous Calabrian macaroni-eating competition!

Signor Fratelli, the present champion, has won it every year since 1991.

And that ends our special bulletin for today, Thursday, April 1st.

We're now going back to the studio.

It was April Fool’s Day.

There are no macaroni fields.

The whole bulletin was a joke.

To end the special news bulletin, the television announcer showed viewers the macaroni fields of Calabria, where macaroni has been grown for over six hundred years.

Harvesting has begun earlier this year, and the whole village has been working hard, gathering and threshing the crop before the September rains.

The crop is processed in the local factory.

After the harvest, the famous Calabrian macaroni-eating competition, which Signor Fratelli has won every year since 1991, will take place.

That ended the news bulletin for April 1st.

The entire story was made up as an April Fool’s joke.

Harvesting has begun earlier than usual.

He usually gets up at six o'clock.

Here you can see two workers who, between them, have just finished cutting three cartloads of macaroni.

Tom sat between Jennifer.

The Prime Minister was among those present.

You'll find it somewhere among those newspapers.

Mrs. Brabante is talking to the manager of the local factory.

Mr. Jones is the director of several companies.

Who is the headmaster of this school?

I found your pipe.

It was among those things on the table.

As usual, he asked the same silly questions.

The lady in the shop asked to see the manager.

He has been headmaster of this school for seventeen years.

It seems to be warmer than usual this month.

Everybody dreams of living like a director of a company with a large expense account.

She stuck the flower between the pages of a book.

He usually returns from work about this time, but he is late today.

Macaroni is man-made.

What was the intention behind the television broadcast? To play a trick on viewers.

Giuseppe Moldova and Riccardo Brabante say they have been expecting a splendid crop.

Harvesting has begun earlier than usual.

It hasn't finished yet.

They must gather the crop before it rains in September.

How long has she been helping her husband? Since she was a young woman.

Where is the crop processed?

It has been grown for over six hundred years.

That's more than six centuries.

They've been expecting a splendid crop.

That's what they've been waiting for.

They have been gathering this year's crop.

They have been bringing it in.

He is the manager of the factory.

He’s in charge of it.