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## **Level 2**

# **Man waits 3 hours for ambulance**

**8th January, 2015**

<http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1501/150108-ambulance-2.html>

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1501/150108-ambulance-2.html>

A man who broke his leg waited for three hours for an ambulance. Luigi Segadelli, 30, broke his leg in a rugby match in Wales. His doctor called for an ambulance. The game stopped while they waited for it to arrive but no ambulance came. Finally, the match was called off. Workers turned on the floodlights so Mr Segadelli did not have to wait in the dark. His team put blankets on him to protect him from the cold. The ambulance service said not to move Mr Segadelli because his leg could become worse. An ambulance finally came three hours later.

Mr Segadelli is now recovering in hospital. He had an operation on his broken leg. Doctors put metal pins in his leg to make it strong. Mr Segadelli is not happy. He told reporters: "I want an apology for the delay. They must..make sure it does not happen to anyone else again." He explained that while he was waiting for the ambulance, he was shaking with cold. He said the paramedics were worried after his foot became blue. He had been in the cold for a long time and there was a risk of him losing his foot. The ambulance service said it was very busy that day.

Sources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-south-west-wales-30693304>  
<http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/wales-news/rugby-player-waited-three-hours-8389551>  
<http://www.southwales-eveningpost.co.uk/Rugby-player-twists-ankle-90-degrees-waits-hours/story-25810844-detail/story.html>

# MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1501/150108-ambulance-2.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. A man who broke             | a. for an ambulance        |
| 2 a rugby                      | b. was called off          |
| 3. His doctor called           | c. came three hours later  |
| 4. The game stopped while they | d. become worse            |
| 5. Finally, the match          | e. waited for it to arrive |
| 6. His team put blankets       | f. his leg                 |
| 7. his leg could               | g. match                   |
| 8. An ambulance finally        | h. on him                  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Segadelli is now recovering       | a. very busy that day |
| 2 He had an operation on             | b. for the delay      |
| 3. Doctors put metal                 | c. losing his foot    |
| 4. I want an apology                 | d. his broken leg     |
| 5. he was shaking                    | e. foot became blue   |
| 6. paramedics were worried after his | f. in hospital        |
| 7. there was a risk of him           | g. with cold          |
| 8. The ambulance service said it was | h. pins in his leg    |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A man (1) \_\_\_\_\_ waited for three hours for an ambulance. Luigi Segadelli, 30, broke his leg in a rugby match in Wales. His doctor (2) \_\_\_\_\_ ambulance. The game stopped while they waited (3) \_\_\_\_\_ no ambulance came. Finally, the match was called off. Workers turned on the floodlights so Mr Segadelli did not (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the dark. His team put blankets on him (5) \_\_\_\_\_ the cold. The ambulance service said not to move Mr Segadelli because his leg (6) \_\_\_\_\_. An ambulance finally came three hours later.

Mr Segadelli is (7) \_\_\_\_\_ hospital. He had an operation on his broken leg. Doctors (8) \_\_\_\_\_ his leg to make it strong. Mr Segadelli is not happy. He told reporters: "I want (9) \_\_\_\_\_ the delay. They must..make sure it does not happen to anyone else again." He explained that while he (10) \_\_\_\_\_ ambulance, he was shaking with cold. He said the paramedics were worried (11) \_\_\_\_\_ blue. He had been in the cold for a long time and there was a risk of him losing his foot. The ambulance service (12) \_\_\_\_\_ busy that day.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Amanwhobrokehislegwaitedforthreehoursforanambulance.LuigiSegadelli,30,brokehisleginarugbymatchinWales.Hisdoctorcalledforanambulance.Thegamestoppedwhiletheywaitedforittoarrivebutnoambulancecame.Finally,thematchwascalledoff.WorkersturnedonthefloodlightsssoMrSegadellididnothavetowaitinthedark.HisteamputblanketsonhimtoproTECThimfromthecold.TheambulanceservicesaidnottomoveMrSegadellibecausehislegcouldbecomeworse.Anambulancenallycamethreehourslater.MrSegadelliisnowrecoveringinhospital.Hehadanoperationonhisbrokenleg.Doctorsputmetalpinsinhislegtomakeitstrong.MrSegadelliisnothappy.Hetoldreporters:"Iwantanapologyforthedelay.Theymust..makesureitdoesnothappentoanyoneelseagain."Heexplainedthatwhilehewaswaitingfortheambulance,hewasshakingwithcold.Hesaidtheparamedicswereworriedafterhisfootbecameblue.Hehadbeeninthecoldforalongtimeandtherewasriskofhimlosinghisfoot.Theambulanceservicesaiditwasverybusythatday.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a)

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b)

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c)

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d)

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e)

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f)

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g)

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h)

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

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