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**Level 4 – 21st April, 2019**

## Hero dad saves baby son from wild dingo

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190421-hero-dad-4.html>

An Australian father is a hero for saving his baby from the jaws of a wild dingo. The dingo dragged the boy from his campervan. His father heard screams. He rushed and dragged his son from the dingo. The 14-month-old boy went to hospital. He had surgery on a fractured skull and cuts to his neck. Doctors say he is in a stable condition and will recover. The father said: "Our son is doing well....Please respect our family's privacy."

The attack is the third this year. Residents are worried they could damage the island's image. One resident said visitors did not know they should not camp in some areas with children. They need education about the dangers of wild animals. She added: "This is one of the most-visited national parks and there is nobody around to give people information about what they...cannot do. People who do the wrong thing are either naive or stupid."

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# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. saving his                    | a. well      |
| 2. the jaws of a wild            | b. screams   |
| 3. His father heard              | c. privacy   |
| 4. He had surgery on a fractured | d. baby      |
| 5. cuts to                       | e. condition |
| 6. he is in a stable             | f. skull     |
| 7. Our son is doing              | g. dingo     |
| 8. respect our family's          | h. his neck  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                   |                           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. The attack is the              | a. around                 |
| 2. they could damage the island's | b. the wrong thing        |
| 3. wild                           | c. visited national parks |
| 4. one of the most-               | d. or stupid              |
| 5. there is nobody                | e. animals                |
| 6. information about what they    | f. third this year        |
| 7. People who do                  | g. cannot do              |
| 8. either naive                   | h. image                  |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190421-hero-dad-4.html>

An Australian father is a hero (1) \_\_\_\_\_ baby from the jaws of a wild dingo. The dingo (2) \_\_\_\_\_ from his campervan. His (3) \_\_\_\_\_. He rushed and dragged his son from the dingo. The 14-month-old boy went to hospital. He (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a fractured skull and cuts to his neck. Doctors say he is in (5) \_\_\_\_\_ and will recover. The father said: "Our son is doing well....Please respect (6) \_\_\_\_\_."

The attack is the (7) \_\_\_\_\_. Residents are worried they could damage (8) \_\_\_\_\_. One resident said visitors did not know they should not camp (9) \_\_\_\_\_ with children. They need education about the dangers of wild animals. She added: "This is one of the most-visited national parks and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ around to give people information about what (11) \_\_\_\_\_. People who do the wrong thing are (12) \_\_\_\_\_ stupid."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# HEROES SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1904/190421-hero-dad-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about heroes in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

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

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

