Easy English Stories – Episode 46: Some Trouble

Target Level: Move 2 and up

Grammar: *Some* with countable and uncountable nouns (e.g., *some sandwiches, some juice*)

Vocabulary: picnic, sandwiches, apples, juice, cake, cheese, bread, bird, yard, fence, trees, roof, trouble

Functions: Talking about quantities with *some*; expressing surprise

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INTRODUCTION

C.S.: Hello, boys and girls! Welcome to another story!

Pip: Hello. I am Pip. I have some questions.

C.S.: What are your questions?

Pip: What is *some*?

C.S.: Uh… *Some* means a little. Not all, and not zero.

Pip: I have some questions about *some*.

C.S.: Maybe if you listen to the story, you will find your answers.

Pip: Okay.

MAIN STORY: Some Trouble

C.S.: Ben and Lily are brother and sister. Today they are going on a picnic.

They are very excited.

Mom says, "What do you have for the picnic?"

Ben opens his bag. "I have **some** sandwich**es**."

Lily opens her bag. "I have **some** apple**s**."

Pip: **Some** apple**s**.

C.S.: Ben says, "I have **some** juice and **some** cake."

Lily says, "I have **some** bread and **some** cheese."

Pip: **Some** bread and **some** cheese.

C.S.: Mom smiles. "That is a lot of food," she says.

The children walk to the park. The sun is hot. The grass is green. They find a good place under a tree.

Ben puts down the blanket. Lily puts down the basket.

Then a bird comes. It is big and black. It looks at the bread.

Lily says, "Hello, bird."

Ben gives **some** bread to the bird. The bird eats it. Then it flies away.

Another bird comes. Then another. Then five more.

Lily says, "They are hungry. They want **some** bread."

Ben gives **some** bread to the birds.

Pip: **Some** bread.

C.S.: Lily gives **some** apple**s** to the birds.

Pip: **Some** apple**s**.

C.S.: The birds eat. Then more birds come. Ten birds. Twenty birds.

Ben says, "They are eating all our food!"

Lily says, "But they are so hungry."

Ben looks at the birds. He looks at the sandwiches.

"Okay," he says.

They give **some** sandwich**es** to the birds. They give **some** cheese to the birds, and they give **some** cake to the birds.

The birds eat everything.

Ben looks in the basket. "No more food," he says. "We don't have any food, and I'm hungry."

Lily says, "We have **some** sandwich**es** at home."

The birds are listening!

Ben and Lily walk home. Ben opens the door to the yard.

Then he stops.

Lily looks. Her mouth opens.

There are **some** bird**s** in the yard. There are **some** bird**s** on the fence. There are **some** bird**s** in the trees. And there are **some** bird**s** on the roof.

There are a lot of birds.

Ben says, "How did they get here?"

Lily says, "I don't know, but I think they are hungry."

The door opens. Mom comes out.

She looks at the birds. Then she looks at the children.

She says, "What is this?"

Ben and Lily look at each other.

Ben says, "We have **some** bird**s**!"

Lily says, “We have **some** friend**s**!”

And Mom says, "We have **some** trouble!"

PRACTICE

C.S.: Please repeat after us!

C.S.: Some sandwiches.
Pip: Some sandwiches.

C.S.: Some juice.
Pip: Some juice.

C.S.: Some apples.
Pip: Some apples.

C.S.: Some bread.
Pip: Some bread.

C.S.: Some cake.
Pip: Yummy!
C.S.: Some cake!
Pip: Uh, some cake.

C.S.: Well done!

PIP'S JOKES

Pip: Knock, knock.

C.S.: Who's there?

Pip: Needle.

C.S.: Needle who?

Pip: Need a little help opening the door!

C.S.: Oh, good one, Pip!

Pip: Knock, knock.

C.S.: Who's there?

Pip: Radio.

C.S.: Radio who?

Pip: Ready or not, here I come!

C.S.: Oh! Ready or not! That was good, Pip!

Pip: Knock, knock.

C.S.: Who's there?

Pip: Nobel.

C.S.: Nobel who?

Pip: No bell, so I knocked!

C.S.: Oh, I understand. No bell!

PIP'S LITTLE SECRET

C.S.: Pip, do you have a little secret for us?

Pip: Yes. Come close.

C.S.: OK.

Pip: When you share your food, you get some friends. And friends are better than food.

C.S.: That’s a beautiful secret, Pip.

Pip: Yes. Now you know.

C.S.: Well, boys and girls, that's all for today.

Pip: Time to go.

C.S.: See you later with another story!

Pip: Goodbye.

C.S.: Goodbye.

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WORDS FROM THE STORY

bread

a soft food made from flour that you bake and eat



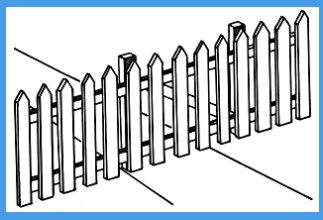
excited

feeling very happy about something that is going to happen



fence

a wall made of wood or metal that goes around a yard or field



food

things you eat to stay alive



juice

a drink made from fruit



share

to give a part of something to someone else

yard

the open space around a house, with grass, trees or flowers