**Actuele lesbrief Engels – False Alarm**

**Voor de docent**

De politie in Bicester dacht dat een van hun politiewagens een kapotte politiesirene had. Hun verrassing was groot toen ze ontdekten wat er werkelijk aan de hand was.

**ERK-niveau**

Lezen B1

*Lezen om informatie op te doen: Kan (belangrijke) feitelijke informatie begrijpen in korte verslagen en artikelen. (LEB1-3a)*

Leesstrategieën - *Kan de betekenis van zo nu en dan voorkomende onbekende woorden afleiden uit de context en de betekenis van zinnen herleiden, op voorwaarde dat het besproken onderwerp bekend is.*

*Who fooled police officers in England last week?*

Assignment 1

You may use English-language Internet sources or a dictionary to help you.

a Write down the names of 3 or more birds.

b Write down 5 or more words related to the police.

**False Alarm**

Bicester is a pretty town in England. It made the headlines last week. The police were involved...

[Read the text to find out what happened in Bicester](https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/68781573).

Assignment 2

Find the words in the text.

Connect the words and expressions that have the same meaning.

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| 1. siren | *a.* all the plays, songs, dances, etc., that a performer and can perform |
| 2. confused | *b.* an area that an animal or group of animals uses and defends |
| 3. faulty | *c.* to copy, to imitate |
| 4. the culprit | *d.* a great beginning |
| 5. (to) mimic | *e.* mate, comrade, friend |
| 6. showing off | *f.* not working like it should |
| 7. companion | *g.* the one who is guilty of some crime or other wrongdoing |
| 8. territory | *h.* a piece of equipment that produces a loud, high-pitched warning sound |
| 9. repertoire | *i.* puzzled; not understanding what is going on |
| 10. a flying start | *j.* trying to impress someone with the things you can do |

Assignment 3

a Why was the police "a little bit confused"?

1 One of their car sirens was broken, but they couldn’t find out which one.

2 Some officers played an April Fools joke on them with a car siren.

3 They thought they heard a police siren, but it turned out to be a singing bird.

4 They went viral on social media with a funny video.

b Why do birds mimic the sounds they hear?

1 To confuse the police.

2 To practise their singing skills.

3 To show that they are the best at everyting.

4 To tell other birds that all is safe.

c How do birds sing?

1 By imitating sounds they hear around them.

2 By using muscles in their throats.

3 With their beaks and lips.

4 With their vocal chords.