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THE ARTICLE

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A Jasper National Park spokesperson explained why the salt licking was a problem. He warned that the moose's addiction is becoming an increasing problem and could be fatal. He said: "This behaviour started as an occasional issue a few years ago and now is too common. People are getting far too close, and it's perpetuated by the moose's obsession with salt." A tour operator said: "I hate to say it, but this road salt is kind of like a drug for the moose." The salt habit poses additional dangers for the moose. Cars are invariably covered with a whole host of harmful chemicals. In addition, moose are vulnerable to pneumonia. Licking car surfaces could increase the risk of spreading disease.

Sources: <https://www.thedrive.com/news/37736/now-canada-has-road-signs-telling-people-not-to-let-moose-lick-their-cars>
<https://interestingengineering.com/dont-let-the-moose-lick-your-car-canadians-warned>
<https://carbuzz.com/news/car-licking-moose-causing-problems-in-canada>

WARM-UPS

1. SALT: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about salt. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

plenty / road signs / amuse / bewilderment / moose / lick / addiction / snow / cars / problem / fatal / behaviour / issue / obsession / tour operator / dangers / pneumonia

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. FENCE: Students A **strongly** believe all roads should have fences to keep animals out; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. ADDICTIONS: How serious are these addictions? How addicted are you? How can we end these addictions? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How Serious?	How Addicted Are You?	Ending The Addiction
Chocolate			
TV			
Shopping			
Smartphone			
Coffee			
Love			

5. MOTORIST: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "motorist". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. ROAD PROBLEMS: Rank these with your partner. Put the best road problems at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Animals
- Pot holes
- Poor lighting
- Flooding
- Traffic
- Bad signs
- Traffic lights
- Width

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| 1. plenty | a. Confuse or make someone puzzled. |
| 2. bemuse | b. Built or construct a building, wall, or other upright structure. |
| 3. bewilderment | c. A greater liking for one alternative over another or others. |
| 4. erected | d. A feeling of being perplexed and confused. |
| 5. native | e. The fact or condition of being addicted to a particular substance, thing, or activity. |
| 6. addiction | f. A large or sufficient amount or quantity; more than enough. |
| 7. preference | g. An animal or plant indigenous (originally belonging) to a place. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| 8. fatal | h. Made something (usually an undesirable situation) continue indefinitely. |
| 9. perpetuated | i. The state of one's mind being with thoughts of someone or something to a worrying extent. |
| 10. obsession | j. A lung inflammation caused by bacterial or viral infection, in which the lungs are filled with liquid. |
| 11. poses | k. In every case or on every occasion; always. |
| 12. invariably | l. Presents or constitutes a problem, danger, or difficulty. |
| 13. vulnerable | m. Causing death. |
| 14. pneumonia | n. Susceptible to physical or emotional attack or harm. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- a. The article says road signs are made to amuse motorists. **T / F**
- b. There are electronic signs in a Canadian town to scare moose away. **T / F**
- c. Moose are an introduced species in Canada. **T / F**
- d. The article says moose are addicted to salt. **T / F**
- e. A park spokesman suggested moose could die if they lick salt off a car. **T / F**
- f. The article says moose have been licking salt off cars for decades. **T / F**
- g. Someone said the salt is like a drug for the moose. **T / F**
- h. Moose can catch pneumonia easily. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH:

Match the following synonyms. The words in **bold** are from the news article.

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1. bemuse | a. put up |
| 2. sense | b. susceptible |
| 3. erected | c. random |
| 4. native | d. feeling |
| 5. preference | e. kept going |
| 6. fatal | f. fondness |
| 7. occasional | g. confuse |
| 8. perpetuated | h. constitutes |
| 9. poses | i. deadly |
| 10. vulnerable | j. indigenous |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|------------------------------|
| 1. amuse and | a. bewilderment |
| 2. a sense of | b. be fatal |
| 3. native | c. salt |
| 4. an addiction to | d. risk of spreading disease |
| 5. they have now developed a preference | e. to Canada |
| 6. becoming an increasing problem and could | f. host of harmful chemicals |
| 7. perpetuated by the moose's obsession | g. to pneumonia |
| 8. covered with a whole | h. bemuse motorists |
| 9. moose are vulnerable | i. for licking it |
| 10. increase the | j. with salt |

GAP FILL

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addiction
plenty
erected
preference
native
common
sprinkled
sense

A Jasper National Park spokesperson explained why the salt licking was a problem. He warned that the moose's (9) _____ is becoming an increasing problem and could be (10) _____. He said: "This behaviour started as an occasional issue a few years ago and now is too (11) _____. People are getting far too close, and it's perpetuated by the moose's (12) _____ with salt." A tour operator said: "I hate to say it, but this road salt is kind of like a (13) _____ for the moose." The salt habit poses additional dangers for the moose. Cars are (14) _____ covered with a whole host of harmful chemicals. In addition, moose are (15) _____ to pneumonia. Licking car (16) _____ could increase the risk of spreading disease.

fatal
obsession
invariably
addiction
surfaces
common
vulnerable
drug

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) There are plenty of road signs around the world that amuse and _____
 - a. be muse motorists
 - b. be muses motorists
 - c. beam muse motorists
 - d. bemuse motorists
- 2) The latest to raise smiles and possibly _____ bewilderment
 - a. a sense off
 - b. a sense of
 - c. a sense oft
 - d. a sense aft
- 3) Alberta have erected electronic signs _____
 - a. to warn drivers
 - b. toward drivers
 - c. towards drivers
 - d. to warn drivers
- 4) Moose are the largest and heaviest members of _____
 - a. the deer familiar
 - b. the deer familial
 - c. the deer familiarity
 - d. the deer family
- 5) Vehicles are splashed with road salt that has been _____ road
 - a. sparkled on the
 - b. spanked on the
 - c. speckled on the
 - d. sprinkled on the
- 6) the moose's addiction is becoming an increasing problem and _____
 - a. could be fatal
 - b. could be fatal
 - c. could be fatally
 - d. could being fatal
- 7) This behaviour started as an occasional issue a few years ago and now _____
 - a. is too commons
 - b. is too commoner
 - c. is too common
 - d. is too commonly
- 8) far too close, and it's perpetuated by the moose's _____
 - a. obsession within salt
 - b. obsession with salt
 - c. obsession wither salt
 - d. obsession without salt
- 9) like a drug for the moose." The salt habit poses _____
 - a. additionally dangers
 - b. additional dangerous
 - c. additional dangers
 - d. additionally dangerous
- 10) to pneumonia. Licking car surfaces could increase the risk _____
 - a. of spread din disease
 - b. of spread in disease
 - c. of spreading disease
 - d. of spread disease

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

1. What does the article say road signs do, besides amuse?
2. What kind of signs are being used to warn motorists?
3. What family of animals do moose belong to?
4. What are deer addicted to?
5. What do moose usually lick to get salt?
6. How serious did a park spokesperson say the salt licking could become?
7. When did the spokesperson say the moose's behaviour started?
8. What did a tour operator liken salt to for the moose?
9. What does the article say cars are covered with a whole host of?
10. What condition are moose susceptible to catching?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

- 1) What does the article say road signs do, besides amuse?
 - a) inform
 - b) bemuse
 - c) distract
 - d) hinder
- 2) What kind of signs are being used to warn motorists?
 - a) billboards
 - b) flashing signs
 - c) electronic signs
 - d) neon signs
- 3) What family of animals do moose belong to?
 - a) cows
 - b) elk
 - c) buffalo
 - d) deer
- 4) What are deer addicted to?
 - a) roads
 - b) salt
 - c) cars
 - d) people
- 5) What do moose usually lick to get salt?
 - a) roads
 - b) trash
 - c) grass
 - d) trees
- 6) How serious did a park spokesperson say the salt licking could become?
 - a) it could be fatal
 - b) very serious
 - c) a little serious
 - d) it's controllable
- 7) When did the spokesperson say the moose's behaviour started?
 - a) a decade ago
 - b) 1976
 - c) after climate change
 - d) a few years ago
- 8) What did a tour operator liken salt to for the moose?
 - a) pepper
 - b) an energy drink
 - c) a drug
 - d) breakfast
- 9) What does the article say cars are covered with a whole host of?
 - a) dust and dirt
 - b) paint
 - c) lights and shiny things
 - d) harmful chemicals
- 10) What condition are moose susceptible to catching?
 - a) leukaemia
 - b) pneumonia
 - c) bronchitis
 - d) tuberculosis

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Animals

You think animals are the biggest problem on the roads. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): pot holes, bad signs or traffic lights.

Role B – Pot Holes

You think pot holes are the biggest problem on the roads. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): animals, bad signs or traffic lights.

Role C – Bad Signs

You think bad signs are the biggest problem on the roads. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): pot holes, animals or traffic lights.

Role D – Traffic Lights

You think traffic lights are the biggest problem on the roads. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their problems aren't as bad. Also, tell the others which is the smallest problem of these (and why): pot holes, bad signs or animals.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'salt' and 'sign'.

salt	sign
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• plenty• raise• warn• sight• led• common	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• problem• issue• close• tour• poses• addition
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SALT SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about salt 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.

DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'road sign'?
3. What do you know about moose?
4. What do you think of road signs?
5. What was the last thing that made you smile?
6. What do you know about deer?
7. What do you know about salt?
8. What are the benefits and detriments of salt?
9. How can authorities help the moose?
10. Are you addicted to anything?

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DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'moose'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What can authorities do about the moose's obsession?
15. Do you have an obsession with anyone?
16. What do you know about pneumonia?
17. What do you think of salt?
18. What three adjectives best describe this story?
19. Should all the roads be fenced to keep the moose out?
20. What questions would you like to ask the transport officials?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) muse | (b) museum | (c) bemuse | (d) bemoan |
| 2. | (a) bewilderment | (b) bewilder | (c) bewildering | (d) bewilders |
| 3. | (a) warn | (b) warm | (c) wane | (d) wan |
| 4. | (a) to | (b) by | (c) at | (d) on |
| 5. | (a) mate | (b) late | (c) pate | (d) sate |
| 6. | (a) proffer | (b) preferred | (c) prefer | (d) preference |
| 7. | (a) addiction | (b) dereliction | (c) diction | (d) dictation |
| 8. | (a) prone | (b) ubiquity | (c) everywhere | (d) common |
| 9. | (a) by | (b) of | (c) on | (d) at |
| 10. | (a) posse | (b) poses | (c) posses | (d) possess |
| 11. | (a) controlled | (b) invariably | (c) effective | (d) realistic |
| 12. | (a) to | (b) on | (c) of | (d) at |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. amuse and uebesm motorists
2. a sense of wilrmeenbdet
3. Transport aeuriitohst
4. an dcidnaito to salt
5. salt that has been epskndirl on the road
6. developed a nepfreceer for licking it

Paragraph 2

7. could be altfa
8. an lioascncao issue
9. it's dpetutaeerp by the moose
10. soobsiesn with salt
11. Cars are aibrynlavi covered
12. Inbvrualee to pneumonia

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () obsession with salt." A tour operator said: "I hate to say it, but this road salt is kind
- () occasional issue a few years ago and now is too common. People are getting far too close, and it's perpetuated by the moose's
- () invariably covered with a whole host of harmful chemicals. In addition, moose are vulnerable
- () of like a drug for the moose." The salt habit poses additional dangers for the moose. Cars are
- () of Jasper, Alberta have erected electronic signs to warn drivers not to let moose lick their cars. Moose are the largest
- () with road salt that has been sprinkled on the road to help melt snow. It is common to
- () smiles and possibly a sense of bewilderment are in Canada. Transport authorities in the town
- (**1**) There are plenty of road signs around the world that amuse and bemuse motorists. The latest to raise
- () addiction is becoming an increasing problem and could be fatal. He said: "This behaviour started as an
- () A Jasper National Park spokesperson explained why the salt licking was a problem. He warned that the moose's
- () see moose licking salt on the roads, but they have now developed a preference for licking it off cars.
- () to pneumonia. Licking car surfaces could increase the risk of spreading disease.
- () roads, but an addiction to salt has led them to sate their need by licking cars. Vehicles are splashed
- () and heaviest members of the deer family and are native to Canada. They are a frequent sight on Canadian

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

1. plenty signs the around road are world . of There
2. bewilderment . a of sense smiles and possibly Raise
3. on sight They are a roads . Canadian frequent
4. is common to see It moose salt . licking
5. a for off preference licking cars . Developed it
6. salt Explained licking why a was the problem .
7. moose's with perpetuated the salt . obsession by It's
8. is like drug . Road salt of kind a
9. of harmful Covered with host chemicals . whole a
10. surfaces increase the could Licking risk . car

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2011/201123-moose.html>

There are *plentiful / plenty* of road signs around the world that amuse and bemuse motorists. The latest to *rise / raise* smiles and possibly a sense of *bewilderment / bewilder* are in Canada. Transport authorities in the town of Jasper, Alberta have erected *electric / electronic* signs to warn drivers not to let moose lick their cars. Moose are the largest and heaviest members of the deer *deer / dear* family and are native to Canada. They are a frequent *site / sight* on Canadian roads, but an addiction to salt has led them to *sate / state* their need by licking cars. Vehicles are *splashed / stashed* with road salt that has been sprinkled on the road to help melt snow. It is *commonly / common* to see moose licking salt on the roads, but they have now developed a *prefer / preference* for licking it off cars.

A Jasper National Park spokesperson explained *what / why* the salt licking was a problem. He warned that the moose's *addict / addiction* is becoming an increasing problem and could be *fatal / fatally*. He said: "This behaviour started as an occasional *issue / reissue* a few years ago and now is too common. People are getting far too *closely / close*, and it's perpetuated by the moose's obsession with salt." A tour operator said: "I hate to say it, but this road salt is *kindly / kind* of like a drug for the moose." The salt habit *poses / posers* additional dangers for the moose. Cars are *various / invariably* covered with a whole host of harmful chemicals. In addition, moose are *vulnerable / weak* to pneumonia. Licking car surfaces could increase the risk of spreading *disease / diseased*.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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Th_r_ _r_ pl_n ty _f r__d s_gns _r__nd th_ w_rld th_t
_m_s_ _nd b_m_s_ m_t_r_sts. Th_ l_t_st t_ r__s_
sm_l_s _nd p_ss_bly _ s_n_s_ _f b_w_ld_rm_nt _r_ _n
C_n_d_. Tr_nsp_r_t __th_r_t__s _n th_ t_wn _f J_sp_r,
_l_b_r_t_ h_v_ _r_ct_d _l_ctr_n_c s_gns t_ w_rn dr_v_rs
n_t t_ l_t m__s_ l_ck th__r c_rs. M__s_ _r_ th_
l_rg_st _nd h__v__st m_mb_rs _f th_ d__r f_m_ly _nd
r n_t_v_ t_ C_n_d_. Th_y _r_ _ fr_q__nt s_ght _n
C_n_d__n r__ds, b_t _n _dd_ct__n t_ s_lt h_s l_d
th_m t_ s_t_ th__r n__d by l_ck_ng c_rs. V_h_cl_s _r_
spl_sh_d w_th r__d s_lt th_t h_s b__n spr_nkl_d _n
th_ r__d t_ h_lp m_lt sn_w. _t _s c_mmm_n t_ s__
m__s_ l_ck_ng s_lt _n th_ r__ds, b_t th_y h_v_ n_w
d_v_l_p_d _ pr_f_r_nc_ f_r l_ck_ng _t _ff c_rs.

_ J_sp_r N_t__n_l P_rk sp_k_sp_rs_n _xpl__n_d why
th_ s_lt l_ck_ng w_s _ pr_bl_m. H_ w_rn_d th_t th_
m__s_'s _dd_ct__n _s b_c_m_ng _n _ncr__s_ng pr_bl_m
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

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PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. SALT: Make a poster about salt. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. FENCES: Write a magazine article about fencing off roads to protect animals. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on moose. Ask him/her three questions about them. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to protect them. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. f 2. a 3. d 4. b 5. g 6. e 7. c
8. m 9. h 10. i 11. l 12. k 13. n 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b F c F d T e T f F g T h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. g	2. d	3. a	4. j	5. f
6. i	7. c	8. e	9. h	10. b

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

1. Bemuse
2. Electronic signs
3. Deer
4. Salt
5. Roads
6. It could be fatal
7. A few years ago
8. A drug
9. Harmful chemicals
10. Pneumonia

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

1. There are plenty of road signs around the world.
2. Raise smiles and possibly a sense of bewilderment.
3. They are a frequent sight on Canadian roads.
4. It is common to see moose licking salt.
5. Developed a preference for licking it off cars.
6. Explained why the salt licking was a problem.
7. It's perpetuated by the moose's obsession with salt.
8. Road salt is kind of like a drug.
9. Covered with a whole host of harmful chemicals.
10. Licking car surfaces could increase the risk.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. b 2. c 3. d 4. b 5. a 6. a 7. d 8. c 9. d 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)