The Hat

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American English Original

Bernardo likes hats. One day he buys a new hat at a street market and people laugh at it. "Why do you want another hat, Bernardo?" his wife says to him. "You have twenty." But what can she do?

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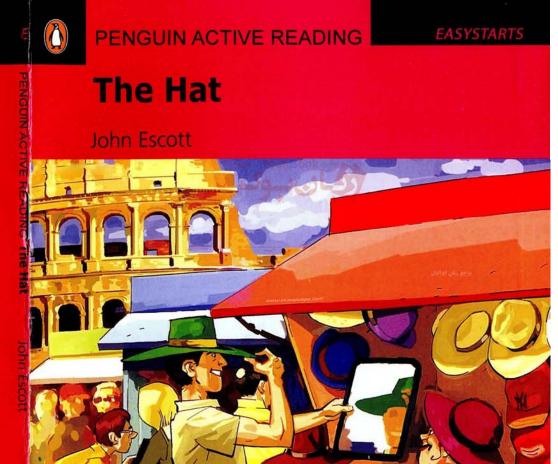


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What's the book about?

Work with a friend and talk about hats.



- 1 Do many people in your country have hats? Are they old people or young people?
- 2 Do you have a hat? Why (not)?
- 3 Do you like hats? Why (not)?

What happens first?

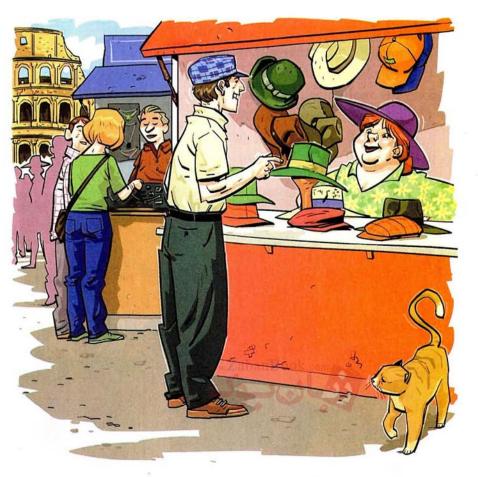
Look at the picture on page 1. Circle the right answer.

- 1 What country is this?
 - a France.
 - **b** The United States.
 - (c) Italy.
- 2 What town is it?
 - a New York.
 - Rome.
 - c Paris.
- 3 Is it a good day for a walk?
 - a Yes, but it's cold.
 - b No, it's raining.
 - c Yes, but it's hot.

- 4 How old is the man?
 - a About twenty years old.
 - **b** About thirty years old.
 - c About forty years old.
- 5 What is he looking at?
 - a A gree and blue hat.
 - **b** A red and yellow hat.

 - c A green and yellow hat.





D ernardo lives in Rome. He likes hats. One day he is at a street **D** market near the Colosseum. Suddenly, he stops.

"I like that hat!" he says.

Bernardo buys the hat.

"I can put it in a bag for you," the woman says.

"No, it's OK," Bernardo says. "I can wear it. Put my old hat in the bag, please."

market / markit/ (n) I buy fruit in the market, not in a store. wear /wer/ (v) I only wear this coat on very cold days.

Bernardo arrives home.

"Hello, Natalie," he says to his **wife**. "Do you like my new hat?" Natalie looks at him. She thinks, "No!" But she says, "Why do you want **another** hat, Bernardo? You have twenty!"

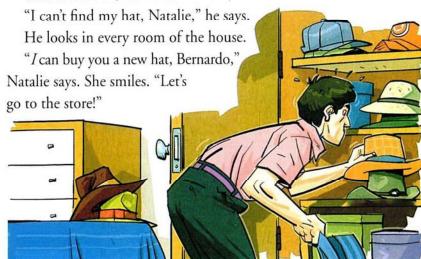
"I like hats," Bernardo says. "And I like this hat."

Natalie sees some people in the street. "They're **laughing** at Bernardo's hat," she thinks. "What can I do with it?"



wife /waif/ (n) She is my sister, not my wife. another /ɔ'nʌðə/ (det) Can I have another drink, please? laugh /læf/ (v) I am laughing at the movie, not at you! Two days later, Natalie takes the hat to a store. The store buys and sells clothes. The man in the store buys Bernardo's hat.

That afternoon, Bernardo looks for his hat.



sell /sel/ (v) He is selling his old car. He wants a new car. clothes /klooz, kloooz/ (n) I never buy new clothes. This shirt is very old.