

1. Listen to a radio interview with Gabriella from the article. Does she sound angry or amused about her holiday nightmare?
2. Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

1 The holiday lasted one month.



2 The bus had to wait on the Colombia-Brazil border.



3 The police looked in everyone's bag.



4 Gabriella's friend spoke Spanish.



5 The police didn't find anything in Gabriella's bag.



6 The police wanted to remember what happened.



3. Look at the extracts from the recording. Choose the correct meaning, a) or b), for the words and phrases in bold.

1 I was backpacking around South America with some **mates** from uni ...

a) friends (from) university      b) teachers (from) school

2 The police asked everyone to get off the bus so they could do a random baggage check.

- a) planned look into everyone's bags
- b) unplanned look into some people's bags

3 The police all looked very angry and started shouting at me in Spanish!

- a) talking loudly
- b) talking quietly

4 They found some small, 'suspicious' bags and they wanted to know what was inside them!

- a) normal, everyday bags which lots of people carry
- b) strange, unusual bags which not many people carry

5 So the police saw the funny side of it , too?

- a) didn't think it was funny
- b) thought it was funny

6 That's hilarious !

- a) very, very funny
- b) very, very scary