

Don't always listen to the sat nav...

Oscar Peters never wanted a sat nav ¹because he didn't like technology. And ²his brother gave him one as a birthday present, it directed him into a difficult situation.

'My brother Jez loves gadgets and technology. Last year he gave me a sat nav for my birthday, ³he knew I didn't really want one. Jez uses his sat nav all the time ⁴he likes listening to instructions, ⁵I prefer using a map.

⁶, a friend of a friend phoned. She needed my help, ⁷I agreed to drive to her house. ⁸I had a map in the car, I decided to use the sat nav to find her village. It was dark, and I wanted to get there as quickly as possible.

Everything was going fine. I was nearly there, but then ⁹I saw there was a small river on the left. I could see that there was a road which went through the water



to the other side of the river. The sat nav said 'Turn left!'

¹⁰ I followed the instruction and turned left into the water. The sat nav said 'Go straight on!', but ¹¹my car was completely stuck in the mud.

I had my mobile with me, ¹²I phoned my friend and she came to the river to help. I felt terrible ¹³she got very cold and wet in the water.

¹⁴, a tractor pulled my car out of the river, ¹⁵it was completely ruined by the water. I can't believe I made such a stupid – and expensive – mistake!