

Oxford Discover 3 - unit 11, Text practice

deep, cow, bell, orchestra, cow, musicians, loud, special, face, conductor, wall, elephant, astronaut, weather, machine, race, bees, eyes, hungry, jacket, yells, bubbles, sound

Mystery in the Gym

Read the text and put the following words into the correct places:

There is a poster on the _____ at school.

"Lisa, who do you think it could be? I think it's an _____," says Marco.

"You don't know who it is," I say. "Nobody knows who it is because it's a mystery." Marco blows _____ into his milk through a straw. I try hard not to laugh. He makes a _____ at me, and when I'm sure he is looking, I cross my eyes.

"I read in a magazine that if you close your _____, you can hear things more clearly. If we close our eyes, maybe we can hear things in the next room," I tell Marco. "The gym is next to the lunch room, so I'm going to listen and find out who the _____ guest is."

I close my eyes. I hear a low, deep booming _____, but I have no idea what it could be.

"It sounds like thunder," I tell Marco. "Maybe it's a scientific _____ for making thunderstorms or something. The mystery guest must be a scientist."

"I want to listen," Marco says. He closes his eyes and tries to listen, too.

"I hear the sound of a _____ trumpet call," Marco tells me with confidence. "There is an _____ in the gym. The mystery guest is obviously a circus trainer"

"A trumpeting elephant is more deafening than that," I tell Marco. I like to use big words like trumpeting and deafening in front of Marco. I listen again.

There is a humming, buzzing sound that makes me feel warm right down to my toes.

"I hear a hum," I exclaim. "It sounds like lots of _____. The mystery guest is a beekeeper!"

"No, it isn't," Marco declares. He closes his eyes even tighter.

"I'm positive this time," he tells me. "I hear an enormous hungry _____. The mystery guest is a farmer and his giant _____."

"What are you talking about? There is no hungry cow noise."

"Yes, there is," Marco argues. He takes a _____ breath and shouts, "Moooooooooooo!"

Suddenly the school _____ rings, and we both realize that it is already 2:00. It's time to see the special guest! Marco and I _____ each other to the gym and look inside the door.

"Wow! This is so cool!" Marco _____.

"How exciting!" I agree, smiling. There is no machine that makes _____, no elephant, no bees, and no _____ cow we see a man in a long, fancy black _____ holding a thin white baton. All around him are _____ playing timpani, bassoons, cellos, trombones, drums and many more instruments.

"They're musical instruments!" Marco and I say at the same time.

The _____ hears us. He turns around and says,

"Welcome to the _____!"