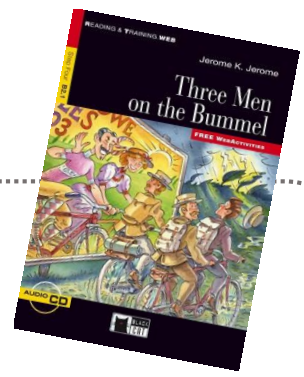


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Read what happens to the three friends after the episode you have listened to.

An unfriendly horse

The driver and Harris ran after us, and I understood a few things the driver shouted in German to his horse: 'I've got to earn my living somehow. You know, I didn't ask for your opinion!'

The horse kept going and I think he said something like this to the driver: 'Don't talk so much! Let's get the job done, and from now on let's stay in the back streets and not in front of nice hotels.'

At last the horse stopped and Harris and the driver got on the cab, and the tour we were looking forward to started.

The driver tried to stop in front of important tourist sites and explain them to us, but the horse moved on quickly. He seemed to say: 'They've seen the important things, haven't they? Well, that's enough. And for the other sites, you don't really know what you're saying and they wouldn't understand you if you did. Remember, you speak German – they don't!'

We rode quickly down the famous tree-lined Unter den Linden Street in the city centre and the horse seemed to say, 'What these fellows want is to go home and tell their friends they've seen these things. And if I'm wrong, and they're more intelligent than they look, they can get better information from any guide book. Who wants to know how high a building is? You forget the information after a few minutes anyway. Let's go home and have lunch!'

I don't know, perhaps that unfriendly horse was right.

