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Beth

Hello and welcome to Real Easy English, the podcast where we have real conversations in easy English to help you learn. I'm Beth.

Georgie

And I'm Georgie. You can read along with this podcast and find a worksheet to help you learn on our website, bbclearningenglish.com.

Beth

Hi Georgie, how are things?

Georgie

Things are good, thank you, Beth. How are you?

Beth

I'm very good, thank you. I've been enjoying the fresh air outside on my lunch break.

Georgie

Me too.

Beth

And today we're talking about nature. We'll talk about the natural world and what we like about it.

Georgie

Sounds good. Let's get started.

So, Beth, you said you went for a walk in your lunch break. But we're in the centre of the city here. Do you like walking in the city, or do you prefer to find nature?

Beth

Well, I have to walk in the city when I'm here, but ideally, definitely, I would rather be in the countryside with the fresh air,

some sheep, some cows, some **mountains**.

Georgie

Me too. I'm from the countryside and where I'm from, I live in the middle of a national park. There are lots of hills, lots of trees. There's a park near my house with two lakes as well. And lots of deer as well. What about where you're from?

Beth

Well, I am from Cumbria. And Cumbria also has another big national park, the Lake District. So, yeah, I grew up surrounded by a lot of **mountains** and a lot of lakes. And we really lived in the

middle of nowhere. So, yeah, lots of lots of wildlife around and rivers, lakes, streams.

Georgie

That sounds so beautiful. What do you like most about nature?

Beth

I really like having a good walk and especially reaching the top of a hill where you can then just look out and see how far you've come and see all the fields around you. It gives me a great sense of satisfaction.

Georgie

So, Beth, you said you grew up near **mountains**. You're very lucky. I didn't have

any **mountains** where I'm from. Do you like going for **hikes** in the mountains?

Beth

I really do, but it depends on how big the **mountains** are, to be honest. It can be very dangerous. I mean, it's good to get some exercise, but I don't like doing too much **hiking**.

Georgie

Yeah, I'm the same.

Beth

Georgie, are there any other ways that you like to enjoy nature?

Georgie

Well, I've only done it a couple of times, but I quite enjoy **wild swimming**, which is where you go swimming in a wild place like a lake, a **river** or the sea. One time in January in England, which is a very cold time of year, I went swimming in the sea only for about five minutes, and then I ran out.

Beth

It must have been so cold.

Georgie

It was freezing, but my dog came swimming with me.

Beth

That's nice.

Georgie

It was really cute.

Beth

Okay, let's recap some of the language we heard during the conversation.

Georgie

We had **river**, which is a flow of water from the land to the sea.

Beth

We had **mountain**, which is a raised part of the Earth's surface, and it's much larger than a hill.

Georgie

We had **hike**, a long walk, especially in the countryside.

Beth

And **wild swimming**, swimming in nature, like in a lake or a river.

Georgie

And that's it for this episode of Real Easy English. To test what you've learned, try the worksheet on our website. You can find a link in the notes for this episode.

Beth

And next week we'll talk about relationships.

Georgie

Ooh. See you then.

Beth

Bye.

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