



mask made of goat urine⁵. It was quite expensive, £50**, but there was a discount⁶:

Bring your own goat urine and pay just £20!

Karen was really excited. She knew this was her last chance! She needed to save money, so she called her sister Laura who had a goat farm. "Laura," she said. "I need this treatment! I'm coming to your farm to get some goat urine!"

Then she called the number in the advert. A man answered and said, "Hi, this is Hair-Hair Salon! How can I help you?"

"Hello, this is Karen," she said. "I read your advert in the newspaper today. I'd like to book an appointment⁷ for your new goat urine hair treatment."

At first, the man didn't answer. Then he started to giggle⁸. "Do you know what the date is today?"

Karen was confused⁹. "No, what is it?"

The man was now laughing really loudly: "It's 1st April, April Fools' Day!"

Special Hair Treatment

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Do you like your hair? What type have you got? Straight, curly¹ or wavy? Long or short? This is a story about Karen, a woman who wasn't happy about the way she looked.

Karen had long, wavy hair. Her friends loved it, but she always hated it. "My hair is weak and I have split ends²," she said. "I've tried using* lots hair masks to make my hair stronger and healthier. But nothing helps!"

One day, she was very tired when she came home from work. She sat down in her favourite armchair, picked up the newspaper from the coffee table and started reading it. At the bottom of the page, there was an advert³ which said:

New! Special treatment⁴ for your hair! Don't miss this chance!

A well-known hair salon promised to improve your hair with a new

LANGUAGE NOTE

* try to do vs. try doing

I tried **to lift** the stone, but it was too heavy. – snažil jsem se
I tried **painting** it blue, but it still looked stupid. – zkusil jsem

** £ – GBP, Pound sterling

VOCABULARY

¹ curly ['kɜːli] – kudrnaté

² split ends [splɪt endz] – roztřepené konce

³ advert [əd'vɜːt] – inzerát

⁴ treatment ['tri:tment] – léčba

⁵ urine [juːrɪn] – moč

⁶ discount ['diskaʊnt] – sleva

⁷ appointment [ə'pɔɪntmɪnt] – schůzka

⁸ to giggle ['gɪɡl] – hihňat se

⁹ confused [kən'fjuːzd] – zmatený