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News Review

Missing Thai boys found trapped in cave



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The story

Rescuers are working out how to free 12 boys and their football coach, who have been found alive in a flooded cave complex in Thailand.

They had been missing for nine days. Dramatic footage shows the moment British divers encountered the bedraggled children huddled on a wedge of dry ground surrounded by water.

Vocabulary

euphoria

feeling of great happiness

- As the winning goal was scored, shouts of euphoria erupted around the stadium.
- I was euphoric the day my son was born. I've never been so happy in my life.

mission

important task with a set goal

- The research mission collected many interesting samples for biological study.
- I'm on a mission to buy a new car. Have you seen any good deals lately?

(the) heart of something

the most important or central point

- The fireman worked at the heart of the blaze to save the house from burning.
- These questions go to the heart of the problem. Answer them, and we solve it.

Language challenge

What does 'bedraggled' mean?

- a) dragged
- b) dirty, messy, wet
- c) boring

Answer

b) dirty, messy, wet