## Unit 4 - Focus on

## 1. My exciting life on a cattle station

Thomas Brown: Hello Rory... So, tell us about life here in Central Australia?

**Rory:** Well, I'm fourteen and I've lived on the cattle station my whole life. I've always had cows and bulls. My best friend is my show cow... She is the cutest cow I've ever seen!

**Thomas:** You live in one of the most isolated and hottest places in Australia, don't you? What is the worst thing about living here?

**Rory:** There are no shops, no malls, no cinemas... You can sometimes feel lonely... but I know I'm much happier here than in a big city.

Thomas: Why is that?

Rory: Because of the nature around. I love it. It's so beautiful. I feel free.

**Thomas:** What are the most typical things you do on the farm?

**Rory:** On week days I feed the chooks with grains and collect their eggs. I give some hay to the calves. But the most exciting moments are when I ride a trail bike or a horse to muster cattle.

**Thomas:** You ride trail bikes at only 14?

**Rory:** Oh, I started riding a trail bike when I was much younger. I've told you the Outback is the most extraordinary place to live in!

Thomas: Thanks Rory.