

New Elementary 2
Unit 3, Lesson B: Reading
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Mary's Teenage Children

My name is Mary Wilson. I have two teenage children who love shopping for clothes. They go to the mall with their friends every Saturday. On school days, my son, Alex, likes to wear blue jeans and T-shirts. He only wears a suit on formal occasions like weddings. He feels comfortable wearing a jacket but not a tie. My daughter, Linda, likes to wear pants. She wears a dress or a skirt and blouse for parties or dinners. She doesn't feel comfortable in high-heeled shoes and loves wearing casual and sporty clothes.

teenage (adjective) = between 10 and 18 years old

teenager (noun) = a teenage boy or a teenage girl

children = kids

shop for = buy

mall = shopping center

occasion = special time

like = such as

comfortable ≠ uncomfortable

tie = necktie

pants (American) = trousers (British)

heel (n.) = the rounded back part of the foot

heel (n.) = the part of a sock or shoe that covers the heel of the foot

high-heels (n.) = high-heeled shoes

high-heeled (adj.) = with high heels

love ≠ hate

casual = informal

In winter, my children wear coats, hats and gloves on cold days. When they go skiing, they put on mittens. Mittens are warmer than gloves. My son doesn't like rainy days because he has to wear a raincoat and carry an umbrella. My daughter loves to wear the scarf that I bought for her birthday. In the summer, Linda and Alex usually wear light clothes and sandals. Sometimes on weekends, we go walking in

the mountains, so they wear hiking boots and thick woolen socks to protect their feet and toes.



coat



jacket



sweater



mittens



gloves

light ≠ heavy

so = therefore

thick ≠ thin

wool (n.) = the soft, thick hair that grows on the bodies of sheep and some other animals

woolen (adj.) = made of wool

protect = keep something safe

toe = a finger on your foot

Last Saturday, my children came home with a bag of clothes each. My son bought two sweaters and a pair of leather shoes. He also bought a blue scarf. My daughter bought a black belt to wear with her blue dress, a pair of gray pants and a matching jacket. She also bought a green T-shirt. My children have no problem spending money. They think money grows on trees!

buy → bought

leather = the material used in the clothes, bags, and shoes that comes from the skin of animals

scarf = a piece of clothing worn around neck, head, and shoulders

Proverb

Money does not grow on trees. = It is hard to earn money, so we have to spend it carefully.

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