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On Wednesday afternoon Sam and his friend Tom decide to go to a shopping centre and have a look at some shops. They meet at 3 o'clock in front of the entrance. Some days ago, it was Sam's birthday and he got some money from his grandparents. So let's start the shopping trip!

If you want to know what happens at the shopping centre, start reading at number 1.

1 Sam wants to buy a computer game and that's why they enter a shop for electronic devices. He looks at all the games but what does he want to buy? He takes a game with ninja fighters. The two boys go to the counter and want to pay, but Sam cannot find his wallet. Where is the wallet?!

2 They go back to the first shop. In front of the counter they suddenly see a man who takes out Sam's wallet! The boys shout at the man, "Hey, this is our wallet!" The man is shocked, starts to run and leaves the wallet at the counter.

3 After the delicious ice cream the boys walk to the nearest tube station and take the tube to go home. "Tom, thank you so much for your help. You are a true friend!" Sam says. "You're welcome, Sam. It was an exciting day for me, too!" Tom answers.

4 This is the room where the cleaning lady of the shopping mall keeps all her stuff. But in the room, there is nothing apart from cleaning things, brooms ... Go back to the last place.

5 Oh, this is the entrance of the car park of the shopping mall. Hundreds of cars are in there, but nobody else. So please go back to the last place.

6 Finally they have another plan! They want to walk around the different shops and stay next to the counters. They think that they could see someone who pays with the money from Sam's wallet. So the first shop where they go is a clothes shop for teenagers. But after 30 minutes they meet and decide that they have to search somewhere else. They go to a bookshop.

7 This is the exit of the shopping centre. But Tom and Sam haven't found the thief, so they cannot go home yet. They have to go on searching.

8 This is not the pet shop where Colin works. Sam wants to find the right pet shop because he already knows Colin. Here you can only buy food for animals.

9 In here, there is not a restroom, but it is a changing room for babies where parents can change a baby's nappy. It smells terrible in the room. Go outside quickly!

10 "It's too difficult to find the thief alone, Tom. Let's go to the office of the person who runs the shopping centre because I'm sure he or she can help," Sam says. They go there and ask Mrs Brown for help. She promises that she will check the cameras and call the boys if she sees something interesting. Tom needs to go to the toilet now.

11 When you open the door, you see ... a lot of young children. This must be the childcare of the shopping centre. There is a friendly lady who cares for the children. But nobody in this room can have stolen the wallet. So go back to the last room.

12 Sam is standing at the counter and the wallet is not there anymore! How can he pay now? Someone stole it! In the wallet was all his money from his grandparents ... Tom says, "Come on Sam, don't be sad! Let's find the thief!"

13 This is the ladies' restroom of the shopping mall. Sam and Tom are not allowed to enter. So here they cannot search for the stolen wallet!

14 This is the restroom for men. The boys enter and hide in a cabin. "Sam, what shall we do? I don't think we will find anything in here," Tom says. "Yes, you're right!" Sam replies. He is extremely sad and doesn't know what else he can do. Sam and Tom want to give up. But Tom has a surprise for his friend to cheer him up: he wants to buy the computer game so that they can play it together in the evening!

15 The boys still cannot believe that the thief left the wallet on the counter. Everything happened so fast that he even left the money inside. Now Sam decides to buy some ice cream for Tom and for him because he is so happy that he has his wallet back!

16 First of all they try to think of a plan. Where should they start searching for the thief? They sit on a bench in the middle of the shopping mall and start watching people. Maybe someone will be suspicious. Maybe someone will run and try to escape. But nothing happens. They have to think of a better plan!

17 This is not the exit the boys want to take. Here you can only exit the shopping centre if you want to go to the car park. The boys need to take the tube.

18 Oh no, this is not the ice cream shop. Here you can buy sweets, chocolate and many other unhealthy things!

19 Newspapers, magazines, travel books, comics and so much more. They talk to the cashier and ask him if he saw a man who paid with money that was in an orange wallet with black stripes. But the cashier did not see a person with such a wallet. The boys also can't see anything interesting and they decide to go to the last shop: Colin's pet shop.

20 Last year Tom bought his rabbit here, so he knows Colin, the owner of the pet shop. They ask him if he saw someone, but sadly he did not. He wants to help the boys and check the wallets of all the people who will come in the shop today. They thank Colin for his help and leave the shop. But somehow, they don't think that they can find the thief alone ...

My reading trail:

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Vocabulary

electronic device	Elektronikartikel	cashier	Kassierer
counter	Ladentheke	childcare	Kinderbetreuung
thief	Dieb	to cheer up	aufmuntern
suspicious	verdächtig	nappy	Windel
to escape	flüchten	unhealthy	ungesund
broom	Besen	changing room	Umkleidekabine