

At the flea market – Lesespurlandkarte



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Each Sunday there is the famous flea market in London. Lots of people sell clothes, pictures, carpets, dishes, CDs and other things. Susan and her sister Alison decide to go there and have a look at the different stalls because they are searching for a birthday present for their aunt.

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- 1** Susan and Alison start walking around. It's a beautiful day and the sun is shining. Suddenly Susan sees a little ice cream truck and shouts, "Oh Alison, can we please have an ice cream? It looks so delicious!" So the girls buy some ice cream and enjoy it on a green place next to the truck.
- 2** Alison says, "Susan, we really need to find something today." The girls start to be a bit sad because they haven't found anything for their lovely aunt. What should they do? They walk past the entrance of the car park. "Alison, I have one last idea. Look at the stall over there, they are selling CDs," Susan suggests. So the girls walk over to this stall.
- 3** This woman sells shoes, but the girls don't know what size Aunt Katie is wearing. Is it 5 or 6? They just don't know it. That's why they cannot buy shoes for her. Please go back to the last stall.
- 4** On their way home they buy some orange lemonade at the exit of the flea market. "Alison, I am so happy that we found a present! Aunt Katie will definitely like it!" Susan shouts. What a perfect shopping trip! Now they have to take the bus.
- 5** At home they sit down in the garden and tell their mother about the interesting shopping trip at the flea market and about the old Nirvana CD.
- 6** Here are some benches where people who are tired after their shopping trip can sit down. The girls don't have a gift for their aunt yet and so they don't have time to sit down. They have to go on looking for the present!
- 7** A friendly lady with red hair offers books that someone has already read before. "I am not sure what kind of books she likes to read. I also remember that she said that she does not have time to read books because she has to work so much," Alison says. The girls need a new idea! In the back of the flea market Alison sees an old couple who sells dishes. They walk over to them.
- 8** This is a man selling coffee. All the people say it smells good, but the girls don't like the smell. And one thing is sure: Aunt Katie only drinks tea. So please go back to the last stall.
- 9** The sun is shining brightly so that the girls have to hurry up eating their ice cream. It already starts to melt! They stand under a tree and start to think of a plan. Alison says, "Susan, now we really need to start searching for a present for Aunt Katie." So the girls walk over to man who sells colourful carpets.
- 10** Here you can see an old man who sells furniture: armchairs, tables, chairs and some more things. The girls cannot buy any furniture because all the things the man sells are too heavy and they cannot carry them home. So please go back to the last stall.
- 11** "Hello young ladies, can I help you?" a young man asks. "We are looking for a gift for our aunt. She likes rock music," Susan explains. "That's great, we have a lot of old rock music CDs," the man replies. "Susan, look at that! It's an old Nirvana CD, that's Aunt Katie's favourite band! I think we have our special birthday gift!" Alison shouts. Is there anything else the girls might need for their present?
- 12** You have found the restroom of the flea market. The girls didn't drink a lot, so they don't need it. Go back to the last place.
- 13** Oh, this man sells cakes. They look really good, but Aunt Katie's birthday is in five days and until then the cake won't be good anymore. Go back to the last place.

14 Of course there is something else they might need! Here is a lovely lady who offers self-made cards. "Susan, let's buy a birthday card for Aunt Katie, I am sure she will like it," Alison suggests. "Good idea!" Susan answers. A few minutes later the girls start to be a little bit thirsty.

15 "Alison, let's take this exit because here we can directly take the bus number 13 home," Susan says. So the girls leave the flea market and wait for the bus at the bus stop. About 45 minutes later they arrive at home.

16 The man smiles at the girls and welcomes them, "Hello little ladies, do you need anything special?" Alison answers, "Yes, we are looking for a present for our aunt. How much does one carpet cost?" "They start from 100£." "Oh, we are very sorry, but this is too expensive for us." The girls go to another stall where they see pretty jewellery.

17 This is not the exit where Alison and Susan can directly take the bus number 13 who brings them home. Here they can only walk to the next tube station, but it is more than 20 minutes away. This is too far!

18 This is the little house where the woman works who organises the flea market. Susan and Alison only want to have a look at the stalls and don't want to sell anything, so they don't go there. Go back to the last place.

19 "Plates, cups, bowls – each piece for only three pounds! Come over, have a look!" the old couple shouts. Susan and Alison look at the things. First, they look really beautiful but then they realise that all of the plates and cups look different, so there are no sets of four pieces that belong together. They don't like that! Susan asks, "Alison, what do you want to do now?"

20 Susan tries the golden and silver rings with little diamonds and feels like a princess. Alison puts on a little crown that shines like a diamond – so pretty! They look at many different pieces of jewellery, but they just cannot decide what to take. That's why they have to move on. They want to have a look at some books.

My reading trail:

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Vocabulary

to melt	schmelzen	bench	Bank
carpet	Teppich	restroom	Toilette
size	Größe	to offer	anbieten
jewellery	Schmuck	plate	Teller
flea market	Flohmarkt	furniture	Möbel
dishes	Geschirr	exit	Ausgang