

Review: In chapter 1, Mindy's grandmother told her to go apply for a job. Grandmother told her to wear her gray jacket.

Novel Scenes Chapter 2

Mindy arrives at the shopping center. First, she goes to the flower shop. Mindy fills out an application. She gives it to the store manager. Then Mindy puts her pen in her jacket pocket.

Mindy walks into the bakery. She asks for an application. Then she looks down at her gray jacket. There is a big, black stain on it. Her pen is leaking!

Mindy is very upset. She takes off her jacket. Then she runs next door to the dry cleaner.

Mindy goes inside. There is a man at the counter. "Hi," says Mindy. "I have an ink stain on my jacket. Can you get it out?"

"Yes," says the man. Mindy gives her jacket to the man. "You can pick it up on Wednesday after 4:00," he says. Then Mindy sees a Help Wanted sign. "Oh," says Mindy, "Are you hiring?"

"Yes, we are," says the man. "You can talk to the owner now." "Oh no," says Mindy. My grandmother told me I have to wear my gray jacket when I interview for a job. I don't want to interview in my stained jacket. I'll interview with him on Wednesday right after I pick up my clean jacket."

Which statements are true?

1. Mindy goes to the flower shop first.
2. Mindy asks for an application at the bakery.
3. Mindy puts her pen in her purse.
4. Mindy went to the dry cleaner because she had a stain on her jacket.
5. The dry cleaner couldn't get the stain out.
6. The dry cleaner had a Help Wanted sign.
7. The man said she could meet the owner now.
8. Mindy wanted to meet the owner right away.
9. Mindy decided to interview after she picks up her jacket on Wednesday.

Mindy applies for a job. Mindy fills out an application form. Apply is a verb. Application is the noun form of the verb.

The application asks her name, address, phone number, age and experience. She fills it out. That means she writes the information in the blank spaces. You fill out forms when you apply for a VISA. You fill out forms when you go to a doctor's office.

Fill out is a phrasal verb (a verb with an adverb that has a particular meaning). There are many other phrasal verbs that use "out".

1-If you "look out," for something, you watch for it. Someone might say, "Look out, that car is going to hit you."

2-If you "work out," you search for a solution to a problem. EX: I can't work out how to replace the oil in my car. Work out can also mean exercise. EX: I work out at the gym every day.

3-If you "come out," you move outside the place you are in. EX: Come out and see what I bought at the store. Can your kids come out and play with us?

4-If you "take out," food from a restaurant, you order it at the restaurant and take it home to eat. Take out can also be a noun meaning the food you take home. EX: I take out food from restaurants during the Coronavirus because it is safer than eating in a restaurant. EX: I don't want to cook tonight. Let's get take out.

Ruth: I was working out at the gym today when someone yelled, "Look out." I saw that the machine I was on was falling over.

Sara: I'm glad you didn't get hurt.

Ruth: Yes. A nice man ran over and caught the machine before it fell.

Sara: That worked out well. I'm glad there was a nice man near you.

Mindy leaves her gray jacket at the dry cleaners. The man tells her she can pick it up on Wednesday. Pick up is a phrasal verb. Up is the adverb. She will go to the dry cleaning store on Wednesday and pick up her jacket. You can pick up your children from school. You can pick up some flowers from the flower shop.

There are many phrasal verbs with up. EX: wake up, break up, burn up, get up.

1-If you "wake up," you are no longer asleep. EX: I wake up every morning when the sun comes up. The sun comes up when it rises above the horizon. It goes down when it goes below the horizon. The sun comes up around 6:30 and goes down around 8:30.

2-If you "break up," you end a relationship. EX: My boyfriend and I broke up.

3-If something "burns up," fire destroys it. EX: The fire burned up all my furniture.

When we talk about a house, we usually say "burn down." EX: My house burned down.

If we are really, really hot, we say, "I'm burning up."

4-If you "get up," you rise. EX: Get up from your chair and go make dinner. I get up in the morning around 8 o'clock. It is hard to get up after a late night.

Jill: My daughter woke up at 9, but I can't get her out of bed. She is lying in bed texting on her phone.

Sam: Go tell her to get up right now!

Jill: She broke up with her boyfriend last night. She's very sad. She said she doesn't want to get up today. She wants to stay in bed all day.

Jill's daughter: Mom, it is so hot in the house. I'm burning up!

Jill: You need to get up and take a cool shower.

Mindy says she will interview, right after she picks up her jacket. If you add "right" it means immediately. Mindy is saying she will pick up her clean jacket, then immediately interview with the owner.

Jenny: Knock-knock! Anyone home?

Bella: Yes, I'm home. Come in. I'm in the kitchen.

Jenny: Bella, I'm making cookies and I don't have any eggs. May I borrow two eggs?

Bella: Sure. I'll get them for you right away.

Questions:

Where is Bella?

What is Jenny making?

What does Jenny need?

Rena: How are you feeling today? Have you recovered from the virus?

Jan: I feel all right. Not great, but all right. I hope I will feel well soon.

Rena: I hope you will, too.

Ted: My flight took off late. I was worried I would arrive late. But the plane made it here right on time. I'm glad I was on time. I didn't want you to have to wait.

Jess: I don't mind waiting. But I am glad you were on time. Sometimes planes can fly faster if they take off late.

Questions:

Why did Ted think he might be late?

Was Ted late?

Would Jess be mad if Ted was late?

Sandy: Jane, that jar is leaking. Please turn it right side up.

Jane: Oh no. I'm sorry. I didn't notice the jar was upside down. It leaked on the table. I'll clean it up right now.

Questions:

What was wrong with the jar?

What did Jane say she would do right away?

Tammy: We leave for London tomorrow. I am excited. I have never been to London. We will stay in London three days. Then we will rent a car and will drive around England.

Carol: Do you know that the English cars are different from American cars?

Tammy: No, I didn't know that.

Carol: American cars have the steering wheel on the left. English cars have the steering wheel on the right. And they drive on the left side of the road. Americans drive on the right side of the road. I think it will be hard to drive in England.

Tammy: Yes, that will be confusing.

Questions:

Where is Tammy going? Has she been there before? How long will she stay there?

What will Tammy do after three days?

How are English cars different than American cars?

What does Tammy think about driving in England?

In your country, do you drive on the right side of the road or the left side of the road?

Last Thursday, we read about a father and son. The father wanted his son to get a job. The son didn't want to get a job. He wanted to rest. He didn't want to work in a donut shop because he had to start work very early in the morning. The son was worried that he would not be able to see his girlfriend. The boy has been working for a month. Dad asks him how the job is.

Dad: How is your job at the donut shop?

Son: It's good. Really good. After the first week, the owner gave me a raise.

Dad: Wow, that's wonderful. Why did he give you a raise?

Son: He said I was the best worker ever. I show up on time every day. I help clean up after we have finished making donuts. And I sold more donuts than anyone. In fact, we nearly sold out of donuts. The owner was really pleased.

Dad: Son, I am so proud of you! I know you didn't want a job. But you have done very well.

Son: Yes, I like working there. I am surprised. I thought I would hate it. But making donuts is fun. And I get to eat as many as I want. And I am a good salesman. I can talk people into buying more donuts. In fact, I think I might want to own a donut shop someday.

Dad: Well, I don't know about that. Your mother and I want you to go to medical school. You are very smart. You would be a great doctor.

Questions:

How is the job going?

What is "a raise?"

Why did the owner give the son a raise?

What did they nearly sell out of?

What does the son like about working at the donut shop?

What does the son want to do someday?

What does Dad think his son should do?

Son: I'm not interested in being a doctor. I like working at a business. I like it better than school. I think I will keep working in the fall after school starts.

Dad: Wait just a minute. I want you to have a summer job. I do not want you to work in the fall. You need all your time to study. It is important to study hard and make good grades. You can go to a good college and medical school.

Son: Dad, I can make good grades at school and work too. I know I can do it.

Dad: When will you have time to see your girlfriend?

Son: Oh, that is not a problem. My girlfriend got a job at the donut shop. She plans to work here all year. I can see her every day at the donut shop.

Questions:

Is the son interested in being a doctor?

What does the son like better than school?

Does Dad think it is a good idea to work and go to school at the same time?

Dad asks his son when he will have time to see _____.

Is the son worried about seeing his girlfriend?