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Jamar, the Salesman

Fiction; Word Count: 206

Lesson 69: Murmur

Diphthong AR

Chapter 5

Skill Words

Jamar	army	radar	career	charge
garden	department	Farm	Market	barns
yards	large	parking	park	car
far	stars	carts	are	carpet
varnish	apartment	tanbark	smart	sparks

Challenge Words

friend	merchandise	advertisement	finger	porches
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When Jamar was little, he got the nickname The Salesman. He could sell anything to anyone. He even sold an old army radar to his best friend! Everyone could tell what career Jamar would select when he got older. Now that he is in charge of the garden department at Farm Market, he sells merchandise for farms, barns, and yards. He is like a walking advertisement. It's the perfect job for Jamar!

This is Jamar's typical greeting when a new customer enters Farm Market: "Welcome to Farm Market! You may have noticed that we have a large parking lot to

park your car or truck. You don't have to walk far! We also get five stars for customer service. That means you never have to lift a finger at Farm Market. Let me show you to our carts. We have both large and small carts, depending on your needs. We are currently having a sale on outdoor carpet. It's perfect for porches. We are also having a special on varnish, which is great for apartment decks. And if you are looking for tanbark for your flower beds, they are two for one! How can I help you today?" It's a smart pitch and always sparks interest.

Comprehension Questions

1. This story is about
 - a. the army.
 - b. a career in sales.
 - c. a man named Jamar who is great at sales.
2. What is the name of the store where Jamar works?
 - a. Farm Market
 - b. Army Surplus
 - c. Parcel Barn
3. Another word for *career* is
 - a. school.
 - b. job.
 - c. house.
4. Based on the information in the passage, you can infer that
 - a. Jamar likes working with people.
 - b. Jamar should have joined the army.
 - c. Jamar is looking for a new job.