**Shopping with Children**

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| Characters  Mrs. Maria Perez  Tina Perez (her daughter, 14 years old)  Kevin Perez (her son, 9 years old)  Mrs. Elena Elias  Cashier | Place and Time  Walmart  After school and work |

*Mrs. Perez and her children are shopping. She wants to buy some chicken and vegetables for dinner.*

**Maria**: Let’s go to get chicken and vegetables for dinner.

**Kevin**: I want a video game.

**Tina**: I want new jeans.

**Maria**: I am very tired. I only want to buy food.

**Tina**: You buy the food. I want jeans.

**Kevin**: I never get to buy anything.

**Tina**: You have lots of games.

**Kevin**: You have lots of clothes.

**Maria**: I want to get the food. On Saturday, we can buy jeans and games.

**Tina**: I want to look at jeans.

**Kevin**: I can look at games.

**Maria**: You can look. Come to the cashier in 10 minutes.

**Tina and Kevin**: Thank you, Mami.

*(The children go away; Maria finds the chicken and vegetables; she comes to the cashier.)*

**Maria**: Now, where are Kevin and Tina? I am tired. I want to sit down.

*(Elena sees Maria at the cashier. She comes to say hello.)*

**Elena**: Maria, Maria. How are you?

**Maria**: Elena, I am glad to see you. I am fine. How is your family?

**Elena**: They are fighting like always. I am working very hard.

**Maria**: I am working hard too. Now, I just want to buy chicken and vegetables for dinner.

**Elena**: I need some onions and tomatoes.

**Maria**: There are some good tomatoes beside the fruit.

*(Tina and Kevin come to the cashier.)*

**Elena**: Hello, Tina. Your hair looks very nice. Kevin? You are very tall now. Are you on the soccer team? My goodness! You must have a lot of money. Are you buying jeans and a video game?

**Maria**: Tina! Kevin! You did NOT have permission to BUY. You had permission to LOOK!

**Kevin**: The games are on sale.

**Tina**: Yes! The jeans are on sale, too!

**Elena**: Oh, Maria. Let the children buy some games and jeans. They are so cute!

*(Elena hugs Tina and Kevin. They hug her, too.)*

**Cashier**: Are you ready to pay?

**Maria**: I am ready to pay for my chicken and vegetables. Tina, put the jeans back. Kevin, no video games.

**Elena, Kevin, and Tina**: Why? They are on sale.

**Cashier**: The jeans are on sale for $12.00. The video games are $8.00. That is only $20.00 total. With tax, you will only pay $21.00.

**Maria**: Everything in the store is ON SALE. I am buying chicken and vegetables. I will pay cash.

**Kevin, Tina, and Elena**: *(They make a big sigh.)* Gee, whiz!

**Elena**: Your mother knows best.

**Maria**: I do know best. I know all about shopping with children.

**Cashier**: Your total is $12.25. Thank you for shopping at Walmart.