

**Series 8**

**Places**

**Book 1**

**The Supermarket**

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Amy woke up slowly and stretched.

"What day is it today?" she said to herself.

"Oh no! It's Saturday and that means shopping!" She did not like shopping. She wanted to stay at home and play with her friends.

"Time to get up, Amy," called Mum.

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**"Wake Tom up, please. We'll leave  
for the shops in half an hour."**

**Amy banged on the wall to wake her  
brother, Tom. Then slowly she got  
dressed, taking as long as she could.**

**When Amy and Tom went downstairs**

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**Mum and Dad were writing out a shopping list. Today it looked longer than usual.**

**It would take most of the morning to do.**

**"I can't see why we have to go shopping every Saturday," Amy grumbled.**

**"If we didn't, you wouldn't have any**

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food to eat," said dad. "Cheer up!"

Mum, Dad, Amy and Tom got into the car. The supermarket they used was in the town, some miles away. Today Mum would drive. She liked to shop early so she could park near the store. She found

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**an empty space next to the fence.**

**"It's my turn to push the trolley  
today," said Amy, as they got out of the car.**

**As they got near to the supermarket door,  
they saw banners and balloons hanging up.**

**They also heard the sound of brass band music**

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playing. Amy read the notice.

"One year today since we opened. Free sweets for all our customers."

"Well, we came on a good day,"  
said Dad. "Aren't you glad you came?"

They went in, passing a crowd of people.

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Amy was trying hard to push the trolley along. It kept going the wrong way.

Ahead of her was a tall pile of baked bean tins. Amy pulled hard to turn the trolley round, but it was too late. CRASH! Tins fell all around.

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**Some rolled along under the shelves.**

**Others rolled off down the aisles.**

**A little boy tripped over one.**

**Tom laughed, Mum was cross, and Amy  
wished that she had stayed at home!**

**"Don't worry," said Dad. "You couldn't**

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help it." He and Amy picked up the tins.

An assistant piled them up again.

Mum took the trolley round the next corner away from the crowds to check her long list.

"We haven't found the things for Halloween

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and Bonfire Night yet," she said.

"Amy, will you choose a big round  
pumpkin, for a Jack o' Lantern.

Tom, we need ten apples, not too  
big, for apple ducking."

"I'll find some big potatoes for

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baking in the bonfire," said Dad.

When they got to the vegetables, Dad saw an assistant emptying sacks of potatoes on to the shelf. They were piled high.

Dad started filling a bag. He reached

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**for a perfect potato and they all collapsed!**

**There was an avalanche of potatoes!**

**Round and round they rolled, all over  
the ground.**

**Now it was Amy's turn to laugh!**

**"Don't worry, Dad. As you said to**

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me, you couldn't help it."

Just then the assistant who had helped with the tins came up, shaking his head.

"Not you two again! We'll have to put up notices saying DANGER when you go shopping!"

A very red faced Dad and a giggling Amy

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hurried back to Mum to tell her what had happened.

"I think we had better leave," smiled Mum. "I can't trust you two not to cause trouble!"

They pushed the trolley to the checkout.

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**Mum handed over 46 pounds and 10 pence. As they were filling the shopping bags, the manager of the supermarket came over to speak to them.**

**"Well done!" He said. "You are the one hundredth customer today, and have won a**

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special prize. It's a week's  
holiday for four at the seaside."

The family were very happy. They wouldn't  
forget this shopping trip for a long time.

As they went back to the car, Amy  
spoke. "I don't think shopping is

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quite so bad, do you Mum?"

Mum just smiled.

## Fun Page

**A game of Yes and No.**

- 1. Tom stayed at home?**
- 2. Dad drove the car?**
- 3. It was summertime?**
- 4. Amy pushed the trolley?**
- 5. The family won a prize?**