



## “Eduardo Buys New Shoes”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories <sup>(4)</sup>

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

Eduardo is trying to get a job. Tomorrow he has an appointment for a job interview with a company. For the **interview**, Eduardo needs new shoes. Eduardo must buy new shoes for his interview.

Eduardo starts by looking in his newspaper for sales. He does not see any good sales in the newspaper. So, he **decides** to drive to shoe stores.

First Eduardo goes to his local department store. He tries on the shoes there. There are a few good pairs of shoes there, but they are expensive. Eduardo cannot **afford** them. Eduardo decides to go to a cheaper store.

Eduardo goes to a **cheaper** shoe store. Eduardo tells the salesperson that he wants a black pair of formal shoes. The salesperson helps him look at shoes.

“What is your shoe size?” the salesperson asks. “Size ten,” Eduardo tells him.

The salesperson finds three pairs of shoes in a size ten. Eduardo tries all of them on, and finally finds a pair of shoes that are a good color and that fit. Eduardo tells the salesperson that he would like the shoes. The salesperson rings up the shoes at the cash register, and Eduardo pays for the shoes. Eduardo takes the shoes, thanks the salesperson, and leaves the store.

At home, Eduardo starts to prepare for his interview. He gets together his suit, pants, shirt, tie, and his new shoes. He practices answering interview **questions**. He gets ready for his interview.

Eduardo hopes that he will get the job tomorrow.

### Questions:

- 1) When is Eduardo’s interview?
  - A. yesterday
  - B. the day before yesterday
  - C. today
  - D. tomorrow
- 2) Where does Eduardo go first to look at shoes?
  - A. A shoe store
  - B. A local department store
  - C. A warehouse
  - D. The mall
- 3) What size shoe does Eduardo want?
  - A. Six
  - B. Seven
  - C. Nine
  - D. Ten
- 4) Which of the following was a supporting factor regarding Eduardo’s decision to buy the shoes?
  - A. Price
  - B. Fit
  - C. Color
  - D. All of the above
- 5) What color shoe did Eduardo want?
  - A. Black
  - B. Brown
  - C. White
  - D. Tan

### Vocabulary:

- 1) What must Eduardo do at the **interview**?
  - A. Get a job.
  - B. Ask several questions.
  - C. Answer questions about himself and the job he wants.
  - D. Answer questions about his personal life.
- 2) When you **decide** to do something, you...
  - A. Plan to do it.
  - B. Choose to do it.
  - C. Forget about it.
  - D. Want to do it.
- 3) When you cannot **afford** something, you...
  - A. do not have the money to pay for it.
  - B. have the money to pay for it.
  - C. do not like it.
  - D. must rent it.
- 4) A **cheaper** item is an item that...
  - A. costs less.
  - B. costs more.
  - C. is of better quality.
  - D. is usually more popular.
- 5) Which of the following is **not** an example of a typical interview **question**?
  - A. What is your name?
  - B. Do you have any references?
  - C. Do you have much experience?
  - D. What kind of car do you drive?