A



Shopping mall to open soon!

The biggest shopping village in the south is opening a week from today – just a little behind schedule. It has been built on the site of the old airport, about 20 km from the city centre. It promises shoppers hundreds of world-famous brands at bargain prices. There will be plenty of events going on in the opening week and lots of fun activities for all the family. A shopper's paradise, it also offers dozens of restaurants, cafés and five children's play areas. There is free parking, though the roads around the mall will be quite busy. To avoid the traffic, both local shoppers and visitors can take free buses which run from the surrounding towns. Hundreds of new jobs have been created, which should be beneficial to the local economy.

B



Wanted:

Shop assistants for the super-trendy Talulah Boutique opening soon in the brand new mall. Young, friendly, fashion-conscious staff are needed for week-day evenings (5 pm - 9 pm) and weekends (9 am - 6 pm). Great atmosphere, excellent working conditions and generous staff discount! You should be good at dealing with customers, have some selling experience and enjoy working as a team. The job would particularly suit students. Please apply in writing to the manager, Mrs Linda Taylor.



C

Hi Debbie,

Just a note to tell you how the interview went! I met Mrs Taylor at her office in the city centre and she was very interested in my previous experience. I had given her a reference from the post office where I worked last December during the holidays and she said something very odd about it. She said she had phoned them and asked about me and that they had told her that I had often been late! Well, you and I know that isn't true! I couldn't understand it; I said that there must have been a mistake and that I am always on time for work. I was quite upset! Later, I realised that maybe Mrs Taylor had been testing me, telling me this lie just to see what I would say. Quite honestly, I think it's a mean trick and I won't be disappointed if I don't get the job ... though I do need the money!

What do you think?

Mandy

D

Talulah Boutique
Head Office
12 East Street
Grinchester

Dear Mrs Taylor,

I am writing to apply for the position of shop assistant, advertised in the Grinchester Gazette. As requested, I am enclosing a completed job application, my CV and references.

I believe that my current studies in business at the local college as well as my great interest in fashion make me a very good candidate for this position. I have also done similar work before when I volunteered to sell books at the college to raise money for the local hospital. Although this was valuable experience, I am looking for paid work. I have experience of team work because I had a holiday job in the post office last December. As a student, I am available to work evenings, weekends and holidays until I graduate next spring.

I can be reached any time via email at mandy.price@email.com and on 07638 246357.

I look forward to meeting you.
Yours sincerely,
Mandy Price

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2 Use the information in the texts to answer the questions.

Questions 1 and 2 refer to section A.

1 What is true about the new mall?
- a It is the first mall in the area.
- b It is part of the airport.
- c It is aimed at families.
- d It is opening on time.

2 What benefits will the new mall bring to local people?
- a There will be job opportunities.
- b There will be more tourism.
- c There will be better roads.
- d There will be special events every day.

Question 3 refers to section B.

3 What does the advertisement NOT mention about the job?
- a the perks
- b the wages
- c the hours
- d the location

Question 4 refers to section C.

4 What is the writer's opinion of the interviewer?
- a The interviewer was worried.
- b The interviewer was disappointed.
- c The interviewer was dishonest.
- d The interviewer was confused.

Questions 5 and 6 refer to section D.

5 What kind of job does the applicant want?
- a a permanent job
- b a part-time, temporary job
- c an office job
- d a career in sales

6 Why does the applicant think she is suitable for the job?
- a She has done the same work before.
- b She is studying fashion design.
- c She has experience selling products.
- d She has business qualifications.

Questions 7 and 8 refer to sections A, B, C and D.

7 Which sections mention a person who wants to hire employees?
- a A, B and C
- b A, C and D
- c B, C and D
- d all sections

8 Where does Mandy want to work?
- a at the local hospital
- b in the city centre
- c at 12 East Street
- d in the new mall



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