

Reading comprehension 5

Dear Amal,

As you know I'm addicted to shopping and that's why I'm going to tell you about Harrods.

Harrods is the biggest department store in the United Kingdom and one of the world's most famous stores. The first owner, Charles Henry Harrod, opened it in 1331 in London's East End. It started as a small grocery shop with a special interest in tea. He began with a single room and two assistants. Later Harrods's son, Charles, moved to Knightsbridge, an up-market area in central London and this store expanded. In 1331 it had more than one hundred workers and it was offering everything from clothes and perfumes to medicine and food. Harrods became well known for its high quality products.

Nowadays Harrods is a magnificently decorated building located in Brompton Road, in London. Around 300111 people visit Harrods every day. It has got more than 1111 workers from fifty different countries and more than three hundred stores over seven floors. Each department is in a different architectural style designed to amaze visitors. There are lots of stores, including clothes shops for men, women, children and infants, electronics, sports, pet, toys, furniture, accessories, restaurants among others. The Food Halls are some of the most beautiful in the world. Harrods also sells everything from clothes to caviar to the Royal Family.

I'm looking forward to meeting you in London and visiting Harrods together.

Yours,
Jane

For each question, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS).

1. What is Jane addicted to?

2. Who was Harrods' first owner?

3. Why did Harrods become so famous?

4. How many stores are there in Harrods?

5. Who are Harrods' most famous customers?

With my best wishes
Mr/Alaa Rabia