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Reading Comprehension: How Did She Know?

Read the story carefully, then **complete the tasks that follow**:



Last week, I was out shopping with my granddaughter in Newcastle city centre and while she was looking around for summer dresses and sandals, I noticed a little old lady sat on a bench feeding the pigeons. As I was getting really bored and tired, I decided to sit next to her for a rest while my granddaughter was in a shop. After a few very silent minutes, she looked at me and said: 'You don't like shopping, right?'

'Yes', I replied. 'My husband never liked shopping either', replied the old lady. To keep the conversation going, I added, 'My granddaughter has been busy looking for summer clothes for her coming summer holiday'. The old lady looked at me and said 'She will find what she needs and you will be home in no time with less than you have already'. Then she got up and walked away. I was very confused about what she said because I was wondering what I was going to have less of, then I saw my granddaughter running towards me. 'I have been looking for you everywhere' she said. 'I have found a few beautiful dresses at M&S, but I have left my credit card at home. Can you give me yours?' I gave her my card and followed her into the shop. Only then did I understand what the old lady meant. My granddaughter was going to spend my money!

Answer the following in full sentences:

1. Where was the narrator? _____
2. What was he doing? _____
3. Where did he sit? _____
4. What did his granddaughter forget? _____

Circle (True) or (False). And then correct all mistakes:

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| 1. The narrator's wife was looking for clothes. | True | False |
| 2. The old man loves shopping. | True | False |
| 3. The granddaughter couldn't pay for the dresses. | True | False |
| 4. The old woman was right. | True | False |

Discussion: Have you ever hated going shopping? Why?