

DESCRIBING A PICTURE

- 1 Look at the picture and read Eva's description. Do you think the boy likes the shoes? Why?



The picture shows a boy with his parents in a shoe shop. I think maybe the boy is choosing some new shoes. On the left I can see the boy's mum. She's got fair hair and she's wearing a top and white trousers. She's showing the boy a shoe. The boy's dad is in the middle. He's tall and he's got short, dark hair. He's also holding a shoe. The mum and dad are both smiling. The boy is on the right. He's holding a different shoe. He's wearing a white shirt and he isn't smiling. There's a shelf on the left with some shoes on and there are lots of different shoes behind them.

- 2 Read Eva's description in Exercise 1 again. Then, match two sentence endings to each sentence beginning, to describe the people in the picture.

- 1 The boy's dad
 - 2 The boy
 - 3 The boy's mum
- A is in the middle.
 - B is on the left.
 - C is holding a shoe.
 - D is on the right.
 - E is showing the boy a shoe.
 - F isn't smiling.

KEY LANGUAGE FOR DESCRIBING A PICTURE

Saying what you can see:

The picture shows ...
I can see ...
There's a ...
There are (lots of different shoes)

Describing where things are:

on the left / right
in the middle
in, on, next to, behind

Using the present continuous:

She's showing the boy some shoes.
The boy is looking at the shoes.

Describing the people:

old, young, tall
he/she's got dark hair / fair hair

Guessing:

I think maybe the boy is choosing some new shoes.

- 3 Read the *Key Language* box. Then look at this picture and complete the sentences with the correct words.



- 1 The picture two people in a clothes shop.
- 2 The man is on the
- 3 The woman is standing the man.
- 4 I can see some shorts on the of the picture.
- 5 There are lots of clothes the people.

- 4 Look at the picture in Exercise 3 again. Complete the sentences with the correct present continuous forms of the verbs.

- 1 The people (look) at a white top.
- 2 The man (wear) a long-sleeved shirt.
- 3 The man (carry) a backpack.
- 4 The woman (show) the top to the man.
- 5 The woman (not speak).

- 5** Look at the picture in Exercise 3 again. Complete the description of the people with the correct words. There is one word you don't need.

fair glasses long short dark tall

The man is quite ¹ and he's got
² hair. He's wearing ³
The woman is shorter than the man and she's
got ⁴, light brown hair.

- 6** You are going to describe this picture. Look at it and think about the questions.



- 1 How many people are there in the picture?
 - 2 Where are they?
 - 3 What is the man on the left wearing? What's he carrying? What's he looking at?
 - 4 Can you describe the man on the right? What is he wearing? What's he looking at?
 - 5 Who do you think the two men are? Friends? Customers? Tourists?
 - 6 What can you see behind the people?
- 7** Work in pairs. Take turns to describe the picture in Exercise 6.
- The picture shows ...*