

Shopping with Dad

What does Gina learn at the store?

¹ I like shopping with my dad. The other day, we went to the grocery store. I laughed so hard I almost fell over. I learned something, too. It all started when Dad got excited about the corn on the cob.

² "What's the big deal? There is fresh food here all the time," I said.

³ "Yes, that's true, Gina," agreed Dad, "but it's nice to see fresh food that was grown nearby. Then, we know it's really fresh."

⁴ "Oh," I said. I guess Dad could tell I didn't get it. He explained.

⁵ "Some of the fresh food was picked many days ago, maybe even weeks ago. Then, it probably got washed, put into packages, loaded onto a truck, and unloaded here."

⁶ "Oh," I said. We chose six ears. It was the best corn I ever ate. Now I get it.



1. Why does Gina's dad get excited about the corn?

2. Why isn't some of the fresh food really fresh?

3. What does Gina's dad do that makes her laugh?

4. Where did you find the answer to question 3?

5. Tell two things you know about Dad from reading the story.

6. What does Gina think about the corn after she eats it?

7. Read each sentence. If it is a fact, write **F** on the line. If it is an opinion, write **O**.

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_____ It's nice to see fresh food that was grown nearby.

_____ We chose six ears.