



Summer Plans

Part 1

Teacher Reads Five good friends are finishing their last semester, or term, of high school. They are about to graduate, earning their high school diplomas, so big changes are happening! It is the end of the school day and the friends are talking about what will come next.

“It is hard to make plans when it seems like we just
12 started high school yesterday,” Tessa said. “I think the
21 rest of my last term at Fern High will be my very best,”
34 she added with a smile.

39 “I think the best part of this term is that it is the
52 LAST term!” Jen said. “I can’t wait to be rid of verbs
64 and math. Fern High has been OK, but it is all in
76 the past.”

Part 2

Teacher Reads The five friends are walking away from their school, discussing how they could earn money after graduation. Read on to find out what one friend is planning and why.

78 “Well, it is not all in the past yet, Jen,” Rand
89 said. “And we still have to make summer plans.
98 If you all come home with me, I can fix some
109 snacks, and then we can think of summer jobs
118 we may get. There is not a lot of time left to
130 get a job. I need a job to help pay my way at
143 State **University** in September. I am going to
151 be a teacher! What do you say? Will you all
161 come to my home?” asked Rand.



Part 3

Teacher Reads Read on to find out what different ideas other friends come up with, and what Amara says about her plan.

167 Later on at Rand’s home, Robert said, “You may
176 be right, Rand. This is the best time to make summer
187 plans. Maybe I can get a part-time job as a clerk at the
201 Herb Stern Market. Herb Stern owns the market, and
210 he may need help this summer. At least it is a start.
222 What will you do, Amara?”
227 “I think my plans are going to shock you!” Amara
237 exclaimed. “After we eat I will tell you what I am
248 doing!” she teased.
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