

Ms. Tibbets picks up Ben from his house. They drive (驱动/Qūdòng) to her house. Ben asks (问/Wèn) Ms. Tibbets about her husband. She tells (告诉/Gàosù) Ben her husband died (死亡/Sǐwáng). Her husband's name was Thomas.

died 死亡

Ms. Tibbets's house has many flowers, trees, and bushes in front.

Ms. Tibbets's house is 140 years old. They explore (探索/Tànsuǒ) her land.

explore = 探
索

She tells Ben, "Do not touch (触摸/Chùmō) the snake cage." He works (工作/Gōngzuò) at her house. He moves (举/Jǔ) branches to the field (领域/Lǐngyù). They explore the woods.

field = 领域

She tells him many facts (事实/Shìshí) about the animals and plants. She teaches him many facts.

She shows him the vernal pool.

facts = 事实

Ms. Tibbets's sister-in-law comes to the house. She argues (争论/Zhēnglùn) with Ms. Tibbets. The sister-in-law wants to sell (卖/Mài) the house, but Ms. Tibbets doesn't want to sell the house.



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argues = 争论 5b

Ben plays with the snake cage.
He lies (说谎/Shuōhuǎng) to Ms.
Tibbets. She yells at Ben.
Ben looks at some old pictures of
Ms. Tibbets's husband.

lies = 说谎

Ms. Tibbets pays Ben \$15.

They eat lunch and she takes Ben home.

Ms. Tibbets says sorry to Ben because she yelled at Ben. Ben is happy he went to (去/Qù) Ms. Tibbets's house.

went to = 去