The Farmer’s Market

Pre-reading

**Questions:**

- What is a farmer’s market?
- Where could you find one?

**Definitions:**

- Fresh – newly picked
- Market – a place to buy food
- ESL – English as a Second Language
- Miss – feel the loss of something
- Attend – to be present at
- Return – to go back

**Reading**

Hoa and Ming leave their ESL class for the day. As they walk down the hall, Hoa asks, “Ming, would you like to come with me to the farmer’s market?” “Yes, I like fresh food. I miss buying fresh food each day. That’s what I did in my home country.”

“I did too. I had fresh meat and fruit each day,” says Hoa. “I think the food tastes better when it’s fresh, and it’s better for you,” states Ming.

At the market Ming picks out pears, green beans, and fish. Hoa buys snow pea pods, carrots, and cherries.

“Let’s do this next week,” says Ming. “Yes, I would like that,” says Hoa.

“See you in class.”

**Level .7**
Understanding

1. What class do Hoa and Ming attend? ____________________________________________

2. Hoa asks Ming to go with her to the ___________________ _____________________.

3. Why does Ming like fresh food? ________________________________________________

4. What does Hoa buy? (List three things.) _________________________________________

5. When will Hoa and Ming return to the farmer’s market? ___________________________

Writing

Choice A: Retell the story in your own words.

Choice B: Where do you buy your food? What kind of food do you buy?

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