

Lesson 11  
READ THIS STORY #2, Basic

## Rock Hunting

Larry has been interested in rock hunting since he was a young lad. He has amassed a large collection of unusual stones. He doesn't think any of them are valuable, but it's hard to tell a gem from a dirty rock before the stone is cut and polished.

Larry studied the display in the window of Mr. Harris's lapidary shop. Mr. Harris is a skillful gem cutter. He knows how to bring out the beauty of the stone.

Larry stared at the beautiful amber necklace nestled in a black velvet scarf. A small satin box held a pair of ruby earrings.

Larry hopes Mr. Harris will be his lapidary instructor next year. Larry would like to learn how to cut and polish gems so he could turn his own rocks into attractive jewelry.