## Lesson 9 READ THIS STORY #2, Basic

## **The Department Store**

Mr. Howard liked his job. He owned and managed the biggest department store in town. The store was like a miniature city, and it was Mr. Howard's job to see that it ran smoothly.

Every morning, accountants distributed money to the cash registers. The advertising department checked the newspaper to ensure there were no errors in the ads. Stock boys unloaded trucks from the warehouse. Fellows from the display department pushed racks of merchandise around so that they would be attractive to fashion-conscious buyers.

The delivery boys filled the food dispensers in the lounge. The janitorial workers cleaned the rest rooms. Salespersons made last minute checks and tidied up their counters. The security crew prepared to mingle with the crowd.

When the opening bell rang, all of the clerks went to their stations. Mr. Howard unlocked the doors to the store and smiled as the crowd of shoppers came in.