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Exercise 12: Paragraph 1

Mrs. Bartlett is our towns strangest person. She has lived in the big house on Pine Street, without once setting foot outside, for more years than most people remember. In her yard she keeps several cocker spaniels thatll rip a strangers pants in a second. While the regular mailmans face is familiar to the dogs, they treat a substitute mailman like a juicy bone. If the visitor is a friend, Mrs. B. (everyones name for her) will invite him or her in for tea. Her gardener, Willy, watches the dogs while the person hurries to the porch. Willys job, by the way, is also to serve as night watchman. Since hes almost seven feet tall, its not surprising that no prowlers have troubled the property. Inside the house, a maid named Tina takes coats, but she is completely close_mouthed about what Mrs. B. is like. A curiosity_seekers question will get only a scowl from her and a short, "Thats not your business." People in general seem to respect this answer, and no one has really challenged the right of Mrs. B. to live life her own way.

Exercise 13: Paragraph 2

Working as a temporary house packer for Jerrys Moving Service was an enjoyable job for me. First of all, almost no other job allows a person to go into peoples houses and see at close range how they live. I encountered a lot of interesting surprises. For example, one womans house was as neat as a display room in a museum, but her basement was as littered as our towns dump. Another person had converted a bedroom into a small library. In the room there were about seven rows of storage shelves, all filled with issues of magazines like Readers Digest and Redbook. Another positive feature of the job was the sharing of some close moments. Memories often were awakened as people helped pack up items from their past. Many couldnt stop talking once they started. I also liked this job because people would give me things they didnt want anymore. For instance, I received a lot of childrens toys and a complete set of tools. In fact, my mothers cellar started filling with items I received from customers cellars. Final benefits of the job included plenty of snacks and sodas and handsome tips when the job was over. In summary, as a temporary job, house packing was one of my favorites.