

# The Clever Clock seller

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**It was a pleasant day in a town. The wind was warm, and the birds soared high into the sky. Two shopkeepers Zayne and Karl, were selling clocks. They were the only people to sell clocks in the whole town.**



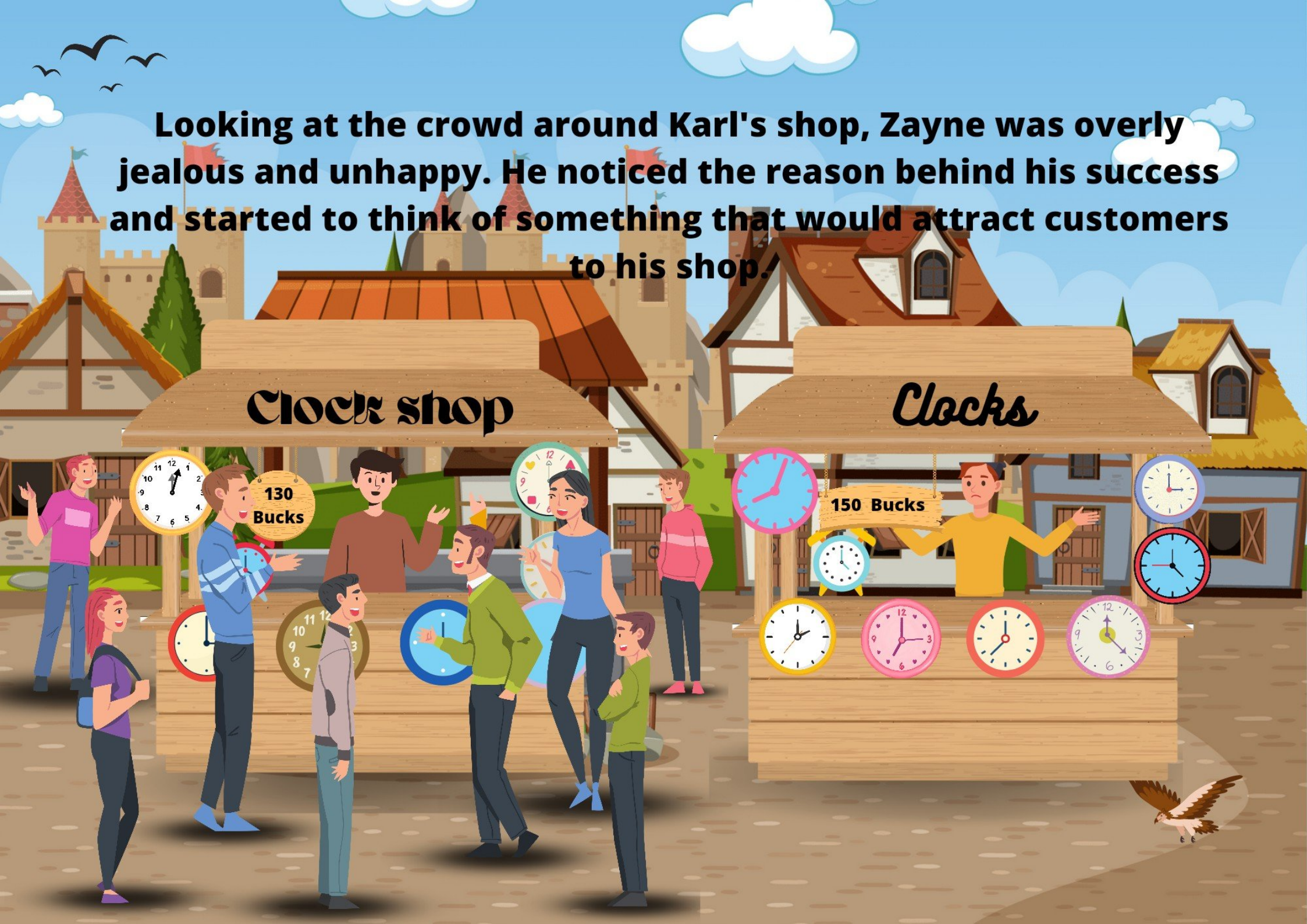


**Zayne had the dream of buying things for himself and thus, he was greedy for money. He sold clocks for 150 bucks, but Karl sold his clocks for 130. Even when there was a slight difference of 20 bucks, people often bought clocks from Karl.**



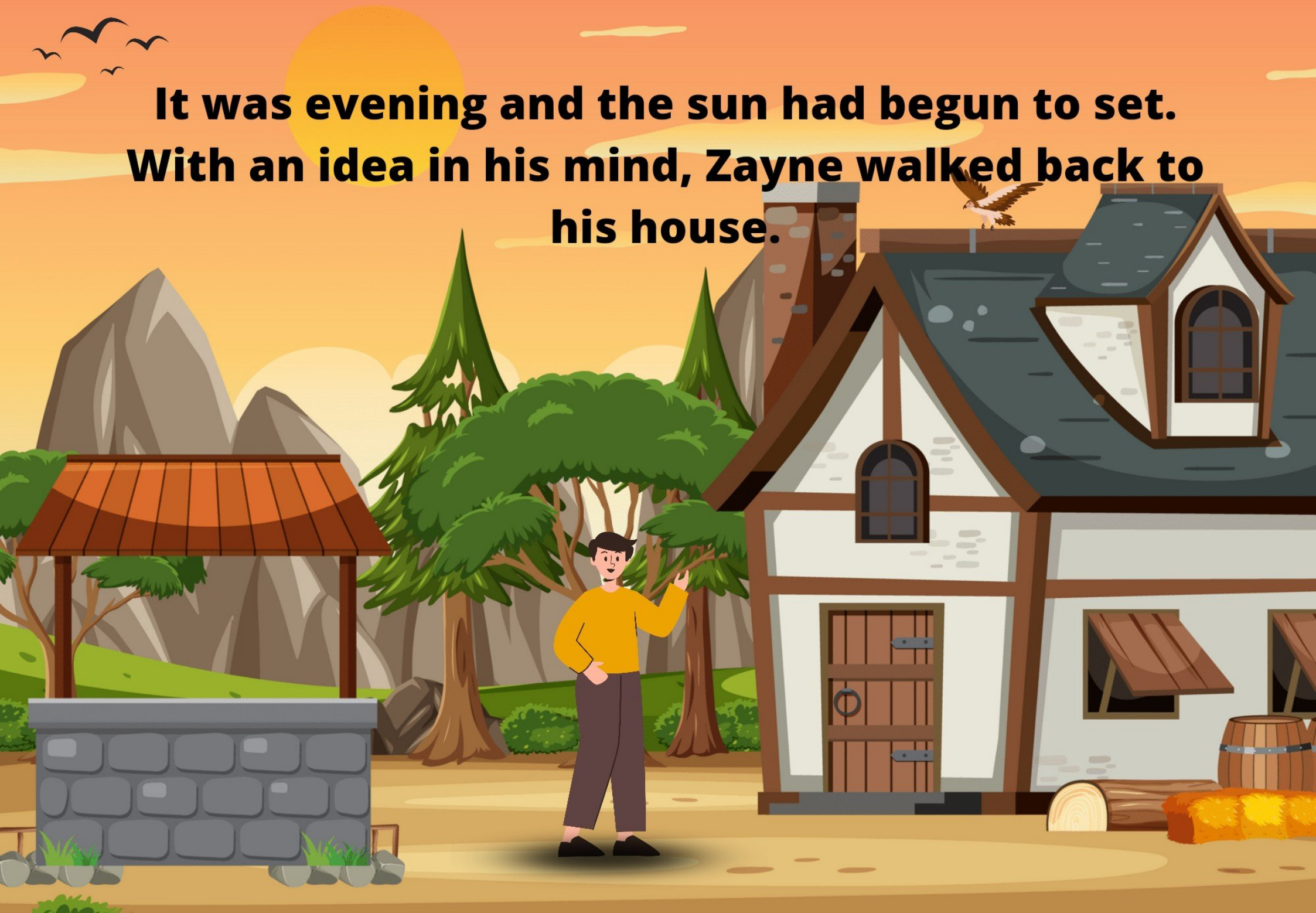


**Looking at the crowd around Karl's shop, Zayne was overly jealous and unhappy. He noticed the reason behind his success and started to think of something that would attract customers to his shop.**





**It was evening and the sun had begun to set.  
With an idea in his mind, Zayne walked back to  
his house.**





It was night time. Zayne changed his clothes, had his dinner and went to bed. He kept thinking about his idea. And finally, his idea was to change the cost of his clocks, so that everyone gets attracted and buy more from his shop. This would benefit him and later, he can purchase his favorite things.





**The next day started with a fresh morning. Karl and Zayne had already reached and opened up their shops. While Karl had his early visitor, Zayne changed the cost as per his idea. He starts to get overconfident about the increase in his stocks.**





**Karl notices the change Zayne made. He decided to buy all of Zayne's clocks as they were now cheaper. He approaches Zayne and says, "Hello, my friend. I heard you want to collect money to buy your favorites, Right?"**





**"If that is what you want, have the money in exchange for your clocks." Karl said.**

**Zayne had no idea about how Karl was able to know what he dreamt of, but he accepted the deal, without thinking about his loss and profit. He quickly gave all his clocks to Karl, not knowing that Karl will benefit more than Zayne himself. He knew that Zayne would accept the deal because of his greed for money.**



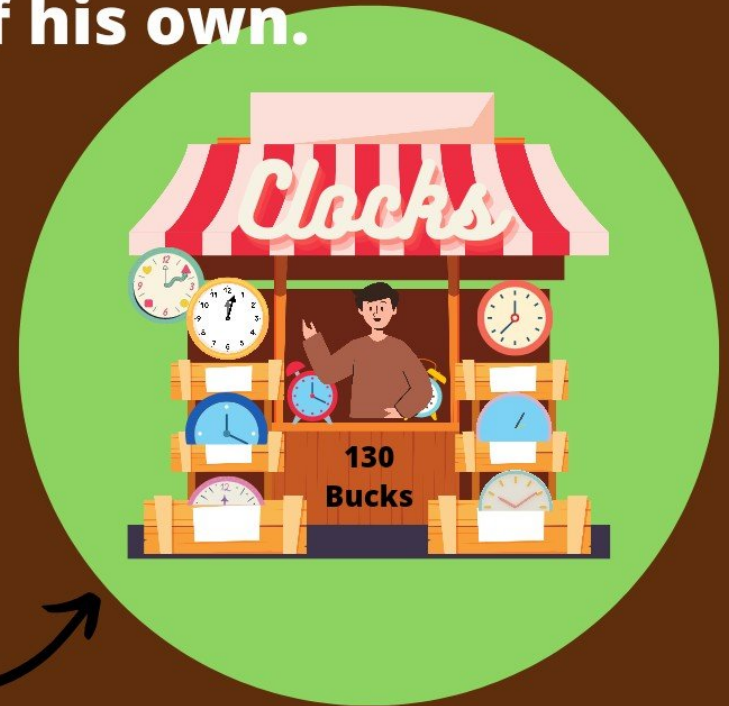


**Zayne was delighted and went into his thought about the things he dreamt of buying since a long time. "Oh! Lets buy a new car, or maybe a big house...", he said to himself. While Zayne was in his deep thoughts, Karl arranged the huge amount of clocks he didnt have before.**





**The clock stand owned by Karl was too small to hang a huge amount of clocks. Despite the problem, he kept selling clocks and started to collect more and more bucks. After collecting enough money, it was time for him to have a bigger shop of his own.**





**On the other hand, Zayne being overconfident, visited the showroom with his money. A beautiful, blue colour car had caught his eye. A man standing near him asked, "Welcome sir, would you like to purchase a car?". "Yes, the one in blue, please. Here are 1500 bucks.", replied Zayne confidently. The man was surprised and said, "No, sir. That car costs 972,000 bucks." Zayne was shocked and embarrassed. His dreams were shattered into pieces.**





**He went home, disappointed and upset. On his way back, he passed by a huge shop filled with clocks. It reminded him of his self-built career of selling clocks. To his surprise, he saw Karl busy in minding the long line! " I wish I never gave up on my job. Now I cannot even make money!" cried Zayne, regretting his greed for expensive things. Karl runned his shop for years, until one day he finally he became the only clock seller in the whole town!**







# About the Author



***I am Yashvi. I originate from India. As a 12 - year old, reading books and watching children having a keen interest in reading stories inspired me to write this fascinating book.***

***making up a story and reading more is what I usually do to develop more ideas in my spare time.***

***I really have a dream that people engage themselves in reading as reading has a concept of developing many things inside us. It has a strong power of changing anyone. Through my first book, I want to change the thinking of the people in today's world.***







*"The Clever Shopkeeper" includes the story of a hard working clock - seller, Karl, who tricks a greedy clock - seller named Jayne, with his cleverness. The story gives a life lesson to be more hard working and patient and gives an idea that success has no shortcut. Read this story as Jayne and Karl take you to the wonderful world of livelihood. What success will Karl achieve?*

