

Sammy's Valentine Plan

Sammy had been counting down the days; the days until the secret was to be revealed and Sammy knew what it was. In seven days time on February 14th. Dad had told her that when he got home from work he was going to take Mum out for a Valentine's treat, a meal out. But it was to be a surprise and Sammy had a big part to play.

Mum and Dad had been married for three years now and Mum often accused Dad of not being very romantic so he had decided that this year was to be different. Sammy wanted to be part of the surprise. She offered to make the reservation at the restaurant. Her parents loved to eat fish and seafood so Sammy promised to do the research for her Dad. She knew there was a nice restaurant in Lapworth town centre. She found the telephone directory and remembered the name of the restaurant, "The Sole Plaice to Eat.", she smiled to herself when she read the name.

She got the phone number and rang them up.

A young woman answered, "Good morning, The Sole Plaice to Eat, how can I help you?"

"I'd like to book a table for my Mum and Dad on Valentine's night please." said Sammy, trying to sound as grown up as she could.

"We are quite busy on that night but I do have a table for two at seven fifteen, how would that be?" said the woman.

"That would be perfect, thank you." replied Sammy.

"Could I just take a few details?" replied the woman.

Sammy told her what she needed to know and the woman said, "Thank you, we'll see them then."

Sammy put the phone down with a great warm glow of satisfaction.

Sammy's Valentine Plan Questions

1. On what date did Sammy make the reservation?
2. What was Dad's treat going to be?
3. In what year did Mum and Dad get married?
4. What kind of food did her parents like to eat?
5. Where was the restaurant?
6. Why did Sammy smile when she read the name of the restaurant?
7. Why do you think the restaurant was going to be busy that night?
8. If it takes half an hour to drive to the restaurant, at what time should Sammy's parents leave for their meal?
9. The woman at the restaurant asked Sammy for some 'details', what do you think she meant?
10. Why did Sammy have a '*great warm glow of satisfaction*' ?

Sammy's Valentine Plan Questions and Answers

1. On what date did Sammy make the reservation?
7th February
2. What was Dad's treat going to be?
To take Mum out for a nice meal.
3. In what year did Mum and Dad get married?
2010
4. What kind of food did her parents like to eat?
Fish and Seafood
5. Where was the restaurant?
Lapworth town centre
6. Why did Sammy smile when she read the name of the restaurant?
Because the name of the restaurant was a pun - "sole" and "plaice" both names of fish.
7. Why do you think the restaurant was going to be busy that night?
Because it was Valentine's Night.
8. If it takes half an hour to drive to the restaurant, at what time should Sammy's parents leave for their meal?
6.45 pm
9. The woman at the restaurant asked Sammy for some 'details', what do you think she meant?
Name and telephone number.
10. Why did Sammy have a 'great warm glow of satisfaction' ?
She had successfully booked a table at the restaurant.