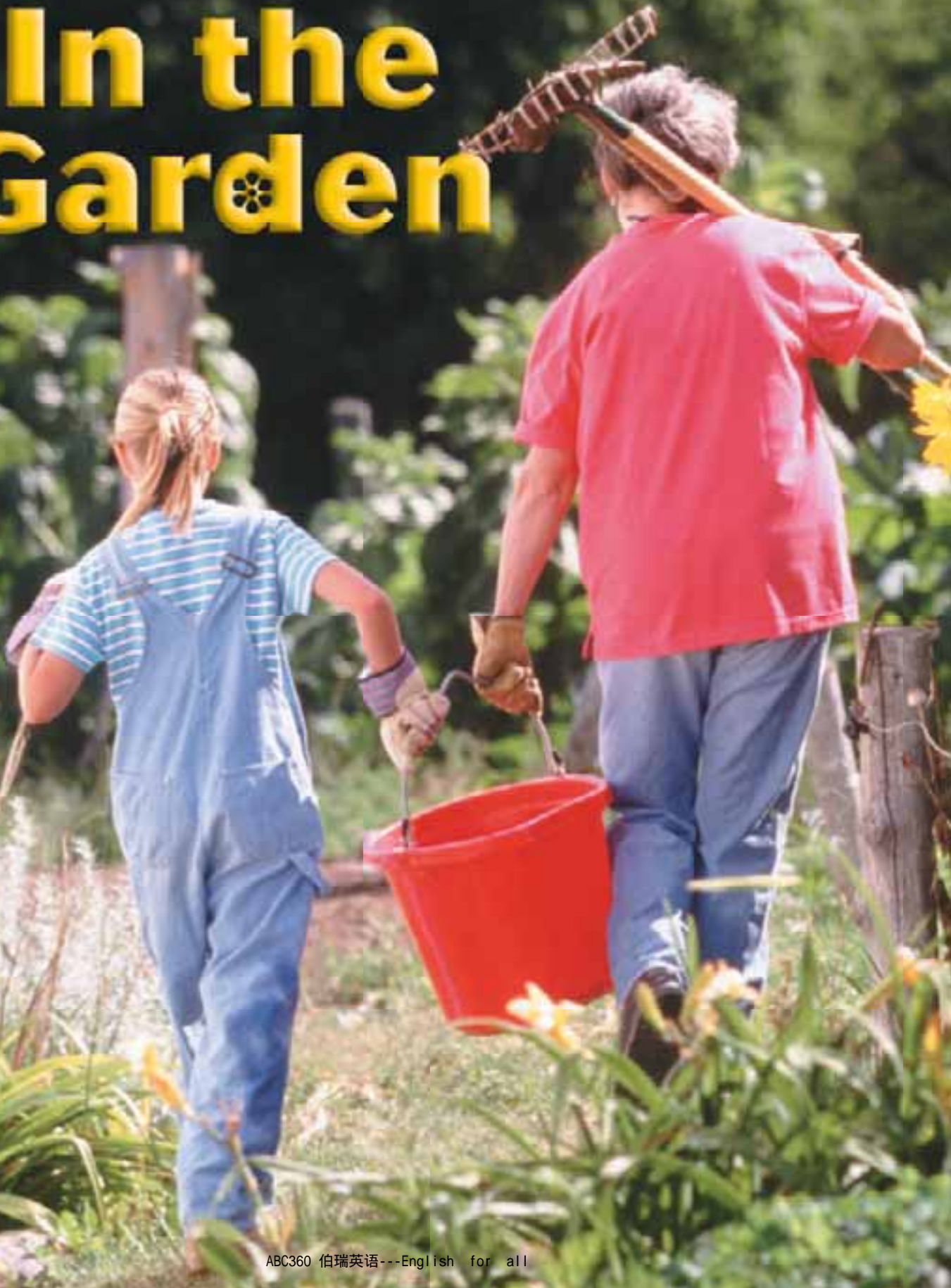


In the Garden





Talk About It

Why do people
grow gardens?
What is needed to
grow a garden?



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Vocabulary

scent
trade
muscles
prickly
blooming
aroma



Context Clues

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings and different meanings.

Scent and *cent* are homophones.

Scent means smell.
A cent is money.



City Garden

by Roberto Salazar

When we lived in the country, Dad and I had a garden. We planted beans, peas, and other vegetables. To us, the **scent** of moist soil and growing plants was a kind of perfume. We loved the earthy smell.

Then we moved to the city. We had to **trade** our big country garden for a small city window box.



Dad and I missed the garden. So he offered to help my class plant a garden in an empty lot.

First, my class dug up the soil in the lot. We needed strong **muscles** to do all that hard work.

Next, we planted seeds and small plants in neat rows. We wore gloves because some plants had sharp **prickly** thorns.

Soon the flowers were **blooming**. The lot reminded me of my old garden. It was great to smell the fresh **aroma** of plants that filled the air. Then, tiny vegetables grew. Last, the vegetables became large and ripe, so we picked them. Dad and I enjoyed some tasty vegetables from our city garden.



Reread for Comprehension



Summarize Sequence

You can summarize an article by explaining the sequence, or order, of the important events you read about. Reread the article and use the chart to understand what happens first, next, and last in the article.

