Lester’s Pictures

Jill told Lester she was ready to paint. Lester said he was ready too. But first he had to explain to Jill his problem. “I visualize too many different pictures to paint! It’s difficult to make a decision!”

Lester then said he might paint a train zooming past a railroad station. But then trains made him think about how roller coasters in
motion looked. Lester exclaimed, “Fast moving things thrill me. I like action paintings!”

This conclusion made Lester realize he would paint the kinds of adventures he liked best. “I enjoy active vacations,” Lester said. “I want to do things that most of the population will not do. I want to climb rocky cliffs and swim under deep seas.”

Lester added that he enjoyed nature, but not in city parks. Instead, he liked jungles crawling with frightening creatures. That would make an exciting painting!

Lester was quiet for a second. Jill started to speak, but Lester suddenly said, “I also visualize creating pictures showing expensive racecars. A painting that shows me in a speeding racecar might be perfect. I might paint myself dressed like a racecar champion I saw on television.”

Jill looked a little angry. Lester realized he hadn’t asked Jill about her painting plans. His inventive imagination had been in the way! Lester quickly asked Jill what she wanted to paint.

“Lester!” she yelled, “I want to paint the backyard fence, just like Dad told us to do!”

Lester looked embarrassed. Then he said, “Let’s paint it fast and make it an adventure!”