Foot print

The bus parked at the service station and the teacher allowed us to go get off the bus to stretch our legs. It was very late and we had been traveling all day. Some of us decided to enter the superstore next to the gas station. We were surprised not to see anyone inside –neither people buying, nor employees–. We thought that maybe it was empty because it was after business hours, so we were about to leave when suddenly the doors and windows closed, the emergency lights went out, our cell phones stopped working, and on the front door we saw a lighted padlock with a sign that said:

«Find the products and you will obtain the exit code.»

We were trapped! We began to discuss what to do. Some of us chose to sit down and wait, –*"someone will come to rescue us"* –; others wanted to look for the code and leave at once, – *"the teacher gets angry if we are late and I have already had several warnings this term"* -; and others proposed to hang out in the technology area, – *"surely there will be the latest Creeds video game"* –. We had not been able to agree on what to do, when a voice sounded over the public address system:

«Time is running out, you must find the code and leave little footprint in the way, otherwise...»

The voice said no more, but then someone in the group spoke up: – *"I bet this is a hidden camera show and now the rest of the school is watching us on their phones and laughing"* –. The possibility of being on the screens excited us; we felt like Big Brother contestants. There was no other way: we had to look for the code!

The emergency lights illuminate the different aisles between the shelves: it looks like a labyrinth. We can either split into small groups or move as a large single group. Again, the voice sounded over the public address system:

-*Each product is reached only by a particular path, pay attention to where you walk. The numbers indicate the code of the product, that code will transport you mentally to another dimension in which you will move around with the help of the "Confidential" brochure. Only then you will be able to find part of the exit code and measure your footprints.*
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