

Mariposa Prynter and Caroline Ruralby are walking along a street in Rhyming Fiction.

“Ah, here we are”, says Mariposa.

They look at the poems displayed in the window.

Mariposa reads out a poem.

“Custom dresses for dances and parks,

Whatever your size, we won't make remarks”

Caroline Ruralby reads out the other poem.

“Regency styles are so very nice,

We are pleased to offer advice”

They enter the shop.

Flashback.

Edith's office.

Mariposa and Caroline Ruralby have asked Edith about what to wear for the event.

“Well there's no fixed dress code, though a lot of ladies do relish the opportunity to wear Regency-style dresses”, says Edith.

“Oh, where do we get those?” asks Caroline.

“Well there is a specialist shop in Rhyming Fiction, they make them to measure, promptly, so if you go along this afternoon there should be plenty of time to get them in time for the event if that is how you would like to dress.”

End of flashback.

The ladies in the shop are most helpful and Mariposa and Caroline are offered a number of design choices and a variety of colours.

Mariposa chooses a pale light blue fabric and Caroline chooses a pale pink fabric.

Arrangements are made for them to return in two days time for fittings so as to allow time if any alterations need to be made.

Mariposa and Caroline go to nearby tea rooms for afternoon tea.

They relax and take their time with Earl Grey tea and gluten-free vegan cakes.