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**Chapter 25: Caring for Clothes—Read, Discuss, and Analyze Activity**

**Practice Clothes**

**READ the case study**

Dmitry has just returned home from baseball practice. The exercises and drills were particularly challenging today, and Dmitry’s practice clothes are stained with mud and grass. In addition to the clothing from today’s practice, he also has other school clothes and white clothing items that need to be washed. He decides that it would be best to wash the stained clothes immediately. Dmitry places the stained clothes, school clothes, and white clothes into the washer. Later, when he returns to place the clothes in the dryer, he notices that his white clothes are now pink. Wanting to finish the laundry load, he places all the clothes into the dryer. At the end of the drying period, Dmitry notices that one of his new sweaters appears to be several sizes smaller. Dmitry is confused about why the new sweater shrunk and why the white clothes changed colors during the laundering process.

**DISCUSS this question in class:**

What errors has Dmitry made in the laundering process?

**ANALYZE the following statements about the case study to decide which are true and which are false.**

- T F Before laundering the baseball clothes, Dmitry should pretreat the stains.
  
- T F Dmitry could have prevented his white clothes from becoming pink by sorting the clothes before placing them into the wash.
  
- T F Pressing and ironing will remove the pink color from the white clothing.
  
- T F Instead of throwing away the pink clothes, Dmitry could donate them or reuse them as cleaning rags.