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Where is Jade? **Jade was at a zoo.**

Clues: **Handful of pellets, giraffe’s long tongue.**

Who is the person who spoke to her? **A worker.**

Clues: **Called the giraffe by its name (Gerald), said ‘a voice’.**

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Where is Craig? **Craig is at the movies.**

Clues: **Popcorn, in the darkness.**

Why did the person say, “Excuse me, Sir,”? **Craig was talking on the phone.**

Clues: **Embarrassed smile, slipped his phone into his pocket.**