

English: Common Core Classes

Unit 4 (Shopping) - Reading

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I- Shopping Places

Text



Dictionary definitions

Boutique: a small store that sells fashionable clothes, shoes, jewellery, etc. **Department store:** a large store divided into several different areas. Each area sells different types of things.

Flea market: a place, usually outside, where people sell especially old or used items at cheap prices.

Shopping centre: a group of stores with a common area for cars to park. **Shopping mall:** a very large building or buildings containing a lot of stores and restaurants, usually with space outside for parking. It is no just a place to go and buy something, it's also an entertainment centre.

Supermarket: a large store where people buy many different foods and other goods for the home.

Theift shorterer a store that sells used things such as clothes books and furniture.

Thrift shop/store: a store that sells used things such as clothes, books, and furniture.

Adapted from Cambridge Dictionary of American English.

Comprehension

- 1. What's the difference between a supermarket and a shopping centre?
- 2. Where do people go to shop and have a good time?
- 3. What's the difference between the flea market and the other shopping places?
- 4. Which shopping place do you think is expensive?
- 5. Which one do you think is cheap?

II- Shopping Around

Text

Mary: Oh, look at these sweaters, Kate! They're really nice!

Kate: Yeah, they're great. Which one do you like better?

Mary: I like the cotton one better, but blue isn't a good colour

Kate : Well, I prefer that wool one. It's nicer and it looks warmer

than the cotton one. And red is more attractive.

Mary: Really? How much is it?

Kate: Oh! There's no price tag on it.

Salesperson: May I help you, ma'm?

Mary: Yes, please. How much is this sweater?

Salesperson: Ah... let me see... It's \$80. Would you like to try it on?

Mary: That's kind of expensive. I want something cheaper.



Comprehension

- 1. Which sweater does Mary like better?
- 2. What colour is the wool sweater?
- 3. Does Mary buy it? Why?

III- Shopping around the World

Text

At the Bookshop

Salesperson: Can I help you, sir?

Pierre: I'm just looking, thank you.

Salesperson: And can I help you, sir?

Omar: I'm looking for a map.

Salesperson: What kind of map are you looking for?
Omar: Right now, I'm visiting London.

So I'm looking for a map of the city.

Salesperson: Well, I think this one here is good. It has all the historical places

Omar : Ok. I'll take it.

Salesperson: Very good. Anything else?

Omar: Yeah, I'm looking for an English cookbook.

Salesperson: Here is one with nice pictures of international dishes.

Omar: No, I want a book with English dishes only. I'm doing research on English cuisine.

Salesperson: Well, over here we have a lovely edition by.......

Comprehension

- 1. Is Pierre buying anything?
- 2. What's Omar looking for?
- 3. Why does he want a map of London?
- 4. Why does he want an English cookbook?