

Summary


I- Shopping Places

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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 not 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.
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 for me.
 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?