

Vocabulary

Places: shop (BrE & AmE)/store (AmE) / supermarket / greengrocer's (BrE) / convenience store (AmE) / butcher / bakery/ baker's / florist / delicatessen/deli / farmers' market / department store / clothes shop (BrE)/clothing store (AmE) / shoe shop/ store / boutique / second-hand shop/store / flea market / newsagent's (BrE)/newsstand (BrE & AmE) bookshop/store / electronics shop/store / hardware shop/store / pet shop/ store / stationer's (BrE)/stationery store (AmE) / chemist's (BrE)/drugstore (AmE) / pharmacy / dry cleaner / sweet shop (BrE)/ candy store (AmE) / shopping centre (BrE)/ shopping mall/the mall (AmE)

Professions: manager / shop assistant / cashier / baker / butcher / shopkeeper / greengrocer / florist / pharmacist / salesperson / buyer / security guard

Equipment: cash register / till / cash desk / receipt / shelves / changing/fitting room / customer service desk / shopping trolley (BrE)/shopping cart (AmE) / shopping basket / racks / hangers / discount bin

Goods: groceries / pastries / bread / meat / shoes / clothes/clothing / flowers / sweets (BrE)/candy (AmE) / stationery / medicine / toiletries / cosmetics / electronics / gifts / pet food / tools

Verbs: to buy / to sell / to hire (BrE)/to rent (BrE & AmE) / to look for / to browse / to choose / to try on / to return / to exchange / to be discounted/on sale / to reclaim / to window-shop / to pay in cash / to pay by (credit/debit) card / to be out of stock

Pair Discussion

You and your friend would like to get a summer job in a shop. You would both like to work at the same place, but you have different interests and schedules. Talk about what you think it would be like to work at a few different places, and agree on one place at the end.

* You can find a sample dialogue on the May–June 2018 CD.

Language for Agreeing/Disagreeing

We could try... / What if we... / How would you feel about working at...?

I'm not so sure... / I don't know... / Well, I was thinking...

That's a good idea, but... / But if we... then...

We would probably get better hours / a higher salary at...

What do you think about... / Would you be okay with...

Okay, so we both agree that... / So the best place for both of us would be...

Personal Questions

- What do you like/dislike shopping for?
"I love / really like / hate / don't mind / absolutely can't stand / just adore shopping for... because..."
- What are your favourite shops?
"My favourite shops are... / The best place to buy... is... / I always get the best discounts/find the best deals at... / I never shop at... because..."
- What do you spend your money on?
"I spend most of / all of / some of my money on... because I need / want / have to have..."
- What do you think of shopping online? Do you ever buy things online?
"In my opinion / I think that / I feel that shopping online is... / I always / never / hardly ever / occasionally / usually buy things online because... / I buy, for example... / It is risky / easy / convenient / complicated because..."
- What shops are there in your neighbourhood? Which shops would you like to have more/less of and why?
"In my neighbourhood there are / there are lots of / there is only one... / We don't have any / many... / We need another... because... / My neighbourhood needs more... because..."

Bridge

