

Unit 4

Let's go shopping!

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Behavioral Objectives

The students should be able to:

1. Use vocabulary and expressions needed in shopping for fruits, food, clothes and appliances
2. Develop communicative English skills for going shopping

Warm-up

Look at the picture and answer the questions.



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1. What can you see from this picture above?
2. Where are these people?
3. What are they doing?
4. Do you like doing this activity in your free time?

Conversation 1

Listen and complete the dialogue

Shopkeeper: Hello, can I help you?

Customer: Yes, I like some apples, please.

Shopkeeper: OK, how many do you want?

Customer: Not too many, one is enough.

Shopkeeper: Alright, anything else?

Customer: No, how much is it?

Shopkeeper: 2, please.

Customer: Here you are. Good bye!

Shopkeeper: Thank you very much.

Vocabulary



VEGETABLES



Useful Expressions

Clerk's Questions:

- Can / May I help you?
- Can I help you find something?
- Is there anything else I can help you with?
- What can I do for you?
- Anything else?
- Would you like anything else?

Customer's Expressions:

- Excuse me, do you work here?
- Could you help me please?
- I'm looking for a pineapple.
- I'm trying to find a watermelon.
- How much is this?
- How much are these?
- How much does this cost?
- Where can I find the pomelo?
- Do you sell bananas?
- Do you have any mangoes?
- Where can I weigh my groceries?

Telling Prices

- They are 50 baht a kilo.
- They are 40 baht per bunch.
- They are 65 baht for 2 kilos.
- Two kilos are 155 baht.
- This one weighs two and a half kilos.
- It's 32 baht.

Exercise 1: Measure Words with Uncountable Nouns

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate words.

This list shows some common measure words like "a **bar** of" or "a **piece** of" that we use to "measure" uncountable nouns.

- a of flour | rice | gold dust
- a of chocolate | gold | soap
- a of Coke | milk | water | wine
- a of cereal | rice | soup
- a of cereal | paper
- a of cream | meat | tuna
- a.....of ice-cream | orange juice | milk
- a of hot chocolate | coffee | tea
- a of beer | juice | water | wine
- a of rice | sand | truth
- aof honey | jam | peanut butter
- a of advice | furniture | paper
- a of paper | tape | toilet paper | Scotch tape
- a of bread | cheese | meat | toast
- a of sugar | syrup | whisky
- aof butter | honey | ketchup
- a of cinnamon | medicine | salt

Conversation 2

Listen and complete the dialogue

Clerk:! May I help you?

Customer: Please show me that shirt over there.

Clerk: Do you the green one?

Customer: Yes

Clerk: Here you are.

Customer: I little bigger one.

Clerk: What size do you wear, sir?

Customer: I'm not sure either medium or large. Let me see both, please.

It's pretty. I'll take the large one.

Clerk: Anything else?

Customer: That's

Clerk: 500 baht, please.

Vocabulary

CLOTHES



Useful Expressions

Questions about shopping for clothes

- Could you help me, please?
- Could you tell me where the men's shoes department is?
- Excuse me, I'm looking for a T-shirt.
- Is there somewhere I can try this on, please?
- Does it suit me?
- Do you have this in a (larger/smaller size) (different colour), please?
- Do you do alterations?
- Do you have a refund policy?
- Is this on sale?


Answers and comments

- It's too long / short.
- It's too tight / loose.
- This one is more attractive.
- This shirt fits me.
- The ladies / gents changing rooms are over there.
- That's expensive / cheap.
- You can bring it back and exchange it or get a refund within 2 weeks if you keep the receipt.

Exercise 2: Household appliances

With a partner, student A: describes the characteristics of an appliance you see in each box to student B but do not tell what they are.

Student B: Go to the next page. Then guess what student A is trying to say.

<p>air-conditioner</p> 	<p>washing machine</p> 
<p>Dishwasher</p> 	<p>electric kettle</p> 
<p>vacuum cleaner</p> 	<p>hair dryer</p> 

Student B: describes the characteristics of an appliance you see in each box to student B but do not tell the vocabulary you see.



Useful Expression

Questions about paying

- Do you take credit cards?
- Do you have a loyalty card?
- Will that be cash or credit?
- Does it have a warranty?
- Can I pay by check?
- Do you offer a cash discount?
- Could I have a VAT receipt, please?
- Could I leave my bags here and pick them up later?

Answers and comments

- We take all the major credit cards.
- We only accept cheques with a cheque card.
- We are offering 6 months free credit with no deposit.
- Sorry, no.
- Yes, certainly.

Exercise 3: Answer the questions about the places you can buy things.

- convenience store / general store / newsagents / department store / shop / store
What can you buy here?
- chemist / pharmacy
What can you buy here?
- toy shop / toy store
What can you buy here?
- book shop
What can you buy here?

- ladies clothing shop / boutique
What can you buy here?
- men's clothing shop / tailor
What can you buy here?
- shoe shop / cobbler's
What can you buy here?
- jeweller's / jewellery store
What can you buy here?
- opticians / optometrists
What can you buy here?
- electrical store
What can you buy here?
- record shop
What can you buy here?
- ironmonger's / ironmongery
What can you buy here?
- charity shop / second hand shop
What can you buy here?
- haberdasher's / haberdashery
What can you buy here?
- shopping centre
What can you buy here?
- shopping mall / mall
What can you buy here?
- market
What can you buy here?
- florist / botanist
What can you buy here?

- butcher's
What can you buy here?
- fishmonger's / seafood store
What can you buy here?
- greengrocers / grocery store
What can you buy here?
- baker's / bakery
What can you buy here?
- delicatessen
What can you buy here?
- grocer's
What can you buy here?
- DIY store / home supply store
What can you buy here?
- hardware store
What can you buy here?
- off-licence
What can you buy here?

Speaking Practice

You are going to a department store this evening. Make a shopping list of seven things you want to buy, then ask your partner where you can get them.

Products	Where to buy?
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	

Pronunciation Tips



Word stress: Try to read the words below with the correct stress pattern.

banana lemon coconut blackberry

sweater cardigan jumper pajamas

camera computer refrigerator television



Sentence stress

In spoken English, words in a sentence are not all stressed in the same way. We usually stress the **content words** (words that have meanings) and reduce **function words** (grammar words).

Content words are *nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, negative auxiliaries, question words, demonstratives* and *not*.

Function words are *articles, prepositions, conjunctions, pronouns, auxiliaries, and modals*.

Listen and practice the sentences below.

1. I'm **looking** for a **T-shirt**.
2. **What size** do you **wear**?
3. Can I **try it on**?

However, these rules can be broken depending on the speaker or the position of a function word in a sentence.

1. I didn't buy this singlet. **He** bought it.
2. Can I try this cookie? Yes, you **can**.

Communicative Activity

Role-play

Work in group of 5 to 6 people. Three students are vendors and have to think of the products you are going to sell. The others are customers, and you have to buy something from the stores by asking and bargaining the price first.

Useful expressions for bargaining

- What is your lowest price?
- Is that your final/best offer?
- Is that the best you can do?
- Is there any discount?
- Would you accept/take \$6?
- That's too expensive. How about 100 baht?
- Can you give me a better price on this?
- Can you lower the price?
- Thanks, but I will have to pass.
- Great, I'll take it.
- I'll give you \$10 for it.
- That's rock bottom.

Quiz

Answer these questions and then ask your friends.

1. What do you like to spend money on?
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2. Whom do you prefer to go shopping with?
.....
3. How much do you usually spend on shopping?
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4. Do you like brand-name products?
.....
5. Do you ask the sales clerk for help in a store?
.....
6. Do you like to buy gifts for others?
.....
7. Do you like to visit bookstores?
.....
8. What is a good place to go shopping in your area?
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9. What is your favourite brand?
.....
10. What shops are available at VRU?
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