

Grammar and Vocabulary
Lesson 11 – A

Topic: Shopping

Aims:

1. Learn useful vocabulary related to Shopping.
2. Review Subject and Verb Agreement Rules Part 2. (numbers 5–8)

VOCABULARY

Exercise 1: Let's Review Words! (5–6minutes)

Choose the meaning of the underlined words from the choices that follow. Then practice using the words in your own sentences.

1. All returned items must reach us in their original condition – unworn, unused, and with tags attached.
 - a. label
 - b. flag
 - c. call
 - d. note

2. If you find a better price anywhere on the web, we'll refund you the difference.
 - a. return
 - b. restore
 - c. change
 - d. repay

3. To get the best price you will have to haggle hard.
 - a. quarrel
 - b. bargain
 - c. wrangle
 - d. squabble

4. Efforts were made to limit the sale of alcohol.
 - a. reduced
 - b. going cheap
 - c. selling
 - d. auction

5. Approved accounts are strictly net 30 days from date of invoice or payment by major credit cards.

- a. amount
- b. payment
- c. due
- d. bill

Exercise 2: What's the word? (5–7 minutes)

Put each of the following words or phrases in the correct gap. Check the bottom part of the page for answers.

CHOICES:

tag, label, cashier, bargain, receipt, exchange, take back, try on, fit, advice, shop assistant, credit card, check, select, cash, refund, size, sale

If you want to go shopping there are a number of things you have to consider. If you would like to find a _____ you should make sure to go to a _____. The only problem with a sale is that it is sometimes hard to _____ something once you buy it. Many stores also refuse to give a _____ on anything you have bought. If you are looking for clothes, make sure to _____, check the _____ to make sure that it is a good _____. Another good idea is to look at the _____ and _____ to see instructions for washing, etc. It's always a good idea to also ask the _____ for _____. Finally, when you go to the _____ you can usually pay by _____ or _____ if you don't have the _____. Never forget to get the _____!

Answer:

If you want to go shopping there are a number of things you have to consider. If you would like to find a bargain you should make sure to go to a sale. The only problem with a sale is that it is sometimes hard to exchange something once you buy it. Many stores also refuse to give a refund on anything you have bought. If you are looking for clothes, make sure to try them on, check the size to make sure that it is a good fit. Another good idea is to look at the tag and label to see instructions for washing, etc. It's always a good idea to also ask the shop assistant for advice. Finally, when you go to the cashier you can usually pay by credit card or check if you don't have the cash. Never forget to get the receipt!

GRAMMAR

Grammar Review

- A. Subjects don't always come before verbs in questions. Make sure you accurately identify the subject before deciding on the proper verb form to use.
 - Does Lefty usually eat grass? Where are the pieces of this puzzle.
- B. If two subjects are joined by and, they typically require a plural verb form.
 - The cow and the pig are jumping over the moon.
- C. The verb is singular if the two subjects separated by and refer to the same person or thing.
 - Red beans and rice is my mom's favorite dish.
- D. If the words each, every, or no come before the subject, the verb is singular.
 - No smoking and drinking is allowed.
 - Every man and woman is required to check in.

Error Recognition

Identify the one underlined word or phrase that should be corrected or rewritten. Then, write the correct sentence.

1. No one pass the examination.
A B C D
2. The moon and the star is lovely to stare at.
A B C D
3. Running and walking are the only exercise I do.
A B C D
4. Every singer and dancer are going to perform.
A B C D
5. Coffee and sugar are what I always have.
A B C D

References:

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