## Shopping in England



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## Reading

In England there is a wide variety of shops from huge shopping centers to popular department stores such as Marks and Spencer, Selfridges or Harrods, to small local shops.

Some people dislike doing the shopping in big stores. Although everything they buy there is carefully weighed out and wrapped up nicely, they feel anonymous. That is why they prefer to buy goods in small specialty shops which usually offer a wide assortment of articles of one kind. Many people like small specialty shops because the atmosphere is friendly and the shop assistants are polite and helpful.

However, doing the shopping in big malls is convenient for drivers. They are usually situated in the suburbs, far away from the city center.

Many department stores regularly organize clearance sales where high-quality goods can be bought even at half-price. Some people prefer to stay at home and choose articles from catalogues. It is a very popular way of shopping, the more so as the goods offered are sold at discount prices.

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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