

Lesson 23

She bought it on impulse.

Target: Having a conversation about shopping.

Vocabulary

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Shopping



Related vocabulary

- to **mark up** ~
- to be **price conscious**
- a **rip off** / to **rip** ~ off
- to **go on a spending spree**
- to **put... on credit**
- to **get some retail therapy**
- a **bargain** / to **haggle**

- a **shopaholic**
- to **trade... in**
- to **splurge**
- **below retail**
- an **installment**
- to **shoplift**
- to **lay buy**

- to **save up for...**
- **fashion sense**
- **buyer's remorse**
- to **spoil** oneself
- to be **2nd hand**
- to **shop around**
- **on impulse**

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What are your usual shopping habits? Are you price conscious? / Do you shop around? etc.
2. Do you make a shopping list when you go shopping? What are the advantages of this?
3. How much money do you usually spend on _____ each month?
4. Have you ever bought anything "as is?"
5. Do you try to buy stuff below retail?
6. Have you ever been ripped off? What did you do when you realized?
7. Do you ever buy second hand stuff?
8. Is haggling over price common in Japan?
9. What are the names of some different items in a store? e.g. barcode
10. What is the best shopping experience that you have ever had?

Partner #2: Questions

1. Does money always burn a hole in your pocket?
2. Are you a shopaholic?
3. What would you do if you saw someone shoplifting?
4. Do you sell your old stuff on eBay / Yahoo auction?
5. When was the last time you splurged on something?
6. Have you ever experienced buyer's remorse? What did you buy? Why did you regret it?
7. How do you feel about giving / receiving gift cards or gift certificates?
8. When you buy something, which is the most important: quality / brand / country of origin?
9. What other words do you know that are related to the word "shop"? e.g. to talk shop
10. What is some really essential shopping lingo?

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role play:** Partner #1: You are a shopaholic. You love shopping but you are starting to get into debt.
Partner #2: Your friend spends too much money shopping. Try to get them to stop.
- 2. Speech:** Describe the ultimate shopping spree you would go on if you won the lotto.
- 3. Speech:** Describe how globalization has affected Japan in regards to shopping over the last 20 years.
- 4. Debate:** You think it's OK to spend a whole day hanging around the mall, but your partner disagrees.