

# LESSON 25

## Going shopping

### (i) Shopping for stationery

- Customer : I'm setting up a new office. I need some stationery.
- Shop keeper : Sir, we are very well stocked. Please tell me what you need.
- Customer : Good. Please give me two reams of paper, a clip board, a dozen blue and a dozen black gel ball point pens, a box of erasers, two dozen pencils and two bottles of correction fluid.
- Shop keeper : We have a new all-purpose correction pen also. Would you like to try it?
- Customer : Yes, give me two please. I also need a stapler, a tape dispenser and a punching machine. Please add these to the list.
- Shop assistant : Is that all?
- Customer : I think that's all for the present. Please make the bill in the name of Usha Sales Corporation, New Delhi.
- Shop assistant : Right sir. I'll have your things packed and ready in a few minutes.

Word/phrase	Meaning
1. stationery	material for writing and for using in an office e.g. paper, pens, and envelopes
2. ream	500 sheets of paper
3. all purpose	having many different uses

See Appendix 8 – Pictures of Stationery items

### (ii) Shopping for clothes

- Customer : Good morning.
- Shop assistant : Good morning sir. Can I help you?
- Customer : Yes please. I'd like to see some shirts.
- Shop assistant : For formal wear or casual wear?
- Customer : Formal. Something that I can wear with a dark suit.
- Shop assistant : What is your collar size?
- Customer : It's 42 cms.
- Shop assistant : Any colour preference?
- Customer : Yes I'd like something in blue.
- Shop assistant : I'll show you the entire range. Do you like any of these?

Customer : That one looks nice.  
 Shop assistant : Yes sir. It is guaranteed fast colour, pre-shrunk, and wrinkle-free.  
 Customer : How much does it cost?  
 Shop assistant : ₹ 450/- only.  
 Customer : That seems quite reasonable. I'll take it.  
 Shop assistant : Please pay at the cash counter. Do come again.  
 Customer : Thank you.

### Word/Phrase

### Meaning

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| 1. formal            | clothes for special occasions     |
| 2. casual            | informal clothes                  |
| 3. colour preference | choice of colour                  |
| 4. entire range      | complete collection               |
| 5. guaranteed        | surety given                      |
| 6. wrinkle-free      | does not need pressing or ironing |
| 7. reasonable        | inexpensive                       |

### *(iii) Weekend shopping*

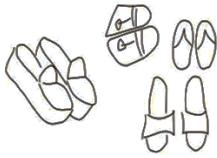
Mother : Sita, father is off on his weekly shopping round. Can you help with making a list?  
 Sita : Here, I've got a paper and a pencil.  
 Mother : Just check the kitchen cupboard to see what we need and I'll make the list.  
 Sita : Mother you will have a better idea of what provisions we require . You let me know and I'll make the list.  
 Mother : Alright. Put down 2kgs of sugar, a poly pack of oil, 4 kgs of rice, a packet of salt and 500 gms of tea.  
 Sita : Mother I need some bathing soap and shampoo too. All the other toiletries are in stock. I'll also note down two 100 gram packs of butter. I want to bake a cake.  
 Father : Sita, add a shaving cream to the list and give the list to me quickly. I am getting late.

### Word

### Meaning

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| 1. provisions | items of food, drinks etc |
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### *(iv) Shopping for sandals*



- Mira : Excuse me.  
Shopkeeper : Yes madam. What can I show you?  
Mira : I'd like a pair of sandals.  
Shopkeeper : Any particular colour?  
Mira : Yes, a brown or an off-white with low heels.  
Shopkeeper : What is your foot size?  
Mira : It should be a Bata size 6.  
Shopkeeper : Right. I'll show you the full range.  
Mira : Let me try on this pair. I prefer one with a buckle.  
Shopkeeper : These seem to fit you well.  
Mira : Yes thank you. What is the price of this pair?  
Shopkeeper : It will cost ₹ 275.  
Mira : Please pack these.  
Shopkeeper : You can make the payment at the cash counter.  
Mira : Thank you.

### *(v) Shopping for a toaster*

- Salesman : Welcome sir, ma'am. How can I help you?  
Ravi : We'd like to see some household appliances.  
Do you have a good range of toasters?  
Salesman : Yes sir. We have all the leading brands.  
Ravi : Could we see them, please.  
Salesman : Yes come this way. We have six brands of toasters. They are all automatic pop-up toasters with browning control. They are available in two sizes.  
Ravi : And what's this?  
Salesman : It's an OTG.  
Ravi : What's an OTG?  
Salesman : An OTG is an Oven /Toaster/Grill. Besides toasting this is also good for baking and grilling.  
Mother : That sounds interesting.  
Ravi : Can we have a catalogue with the prices?  
Salesman : Most certainly sir. Here's the catalogue.  
Ravi : Thank you. We'll be back.

Word/Phrase	Meaning
1. appliance	device for a specific purpose e.g. toaster, dish washer
2. leading brands	well-known brands
3. available	that you can get, buy or find
4. catalogue	booklet with complete list of items

### *(vi) Shopping for a washing machine*

- Ravi : I'd like to see some washing machines.
- Mother : Ravi, I have been using a Samsung washing machine for the last four years. It's worked perfectly so far.
- Salesman : Yes sir. Samsung is very reliable. It has a top loading and front loading facility, automatic timer, water-heating control and many other advantages like a steel tub. It'll give you trouble-free service for many years.
- Ravi : I think I'll go in for a Samsung machine. Can you have it installed by tomorrow evening?
- Salesman : Yes of course. Just give me your address and telephone number. Should I have the invoice made for it?
- Ravi : Yes please. I will pay in cash.
- Salesman : Thank you, sir.

Word	Meaning
1. reliable	dependable
2. install	to fix in position for use by making necessary connections
3. invoice	bill, proof of purchase

### *(vii) Shopping for fruit*

- Mrs A. : I want you to prepare a good fruit basket for me. Could you show me some fresh seasonal fruit?
- Lala ji : Yes madam. I have some very good mangoes, pears and peaches.
- Mrs A. : What is the cost of these mangoes?
- Lala ji : The *langra* mangoes are ₹ 40 per kg and the *dasheri* are ₹ 35 per kg.
- Mrs A. : Do you have apples?
- Lala ji : Yes, I have a variety of apples. I also have pineapples and apricots. Shall I add them to the fruit basket?
- Mrs A. : Yes please do.
- Lala ji : I'll also put in some pomegranates and peaches too.

Mrs A. : Alright. Pack these and please cover the basket with red cellophane paper.  
 Lala ji : Yes madam.  
 Mrs A : How much will that be?  
 Lala ji : ₹ 650, which includes the packing cost.

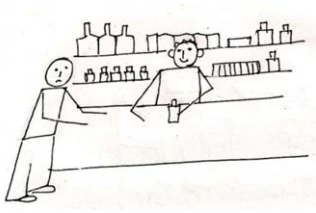
<b>Word/Phrase</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
1. seasonal	fruit that come in a particular season
2. variety of apples	different kinds of apples
3. cellophane	thin transparent plastic material
4. includes	is a part of the total cost

### *(viii) Shopping for vegetables*



Customer : Please show me some fresh green vegetables.  
 Shopkeeper : What would you like? Everything is fresh.  
 Customer : Alright, please give me one small cauliflower and half a kilo of brinjals.  
 Shopkeeper : What else can I give you?  
 Customer : 1 kilo of potatoes, 1 kilo of onions, 250 grams of ginger, 100 grams of garlic, and half a kilo of tomatoes. Don't forget to put in some green chillies and coriander.  
 Shopkeeper : What about a watermelon?  
 Customer : Alright give me this small one.  
 Shopkeeper : I will weigh it. It's 2 kilos and 250 grams. It'll cost you ₹ 18.  
 Customer : Okay, how much does the total come to.  
 Shopkeeper (Starts weighing and packing into polythene bags)  
 Customer : Oh no!! No polythene bags. I have brought my cloth bags along.  
 Shopkeeper : That's very thoughtful of you. Your bill is ₹ 78.

## (ix) At the chemist



- Father : Suniti, why are you in bed?  
Suniti : I have fever and a stomach ache too.  
Father : We must consult a doctor at once.

*They consult a doctor. The doctor examines Suniti and writes out a prescription.*

*At the chemist:*

- Father : Excuse me. I need some medicines.  
Chemist : May I have the prescription, please?  
Father : Yes, here it is. Please check the expiry dates of the medicines.  
Chemist : I'll do that Sir. So here's your analgesic, the antacid and a bottle of multi-vitamin tablets. Is there anything else that you want?  
Father : Yes, I need a thermometer, a roll of cotton wool and a small bottle of Dettol or Savlon.  
Chemist : The medicines, and the cost of the other items add up to ₹ 76. Anything else sir?  
Father : No, thank you.

### Word/Phrase

1. prescription
2. analgesic
3. antacid

### Meaning

- a doctor's written directions for taking medicines  
medicine to reduce pain  
that prevents or reduces acidity in the stomach