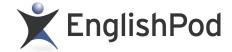
The Weekend - Buying a Camera (C0171)

- A: Hello, ma'am, can I help you find something?
- Yes, actually I'm looking to buy a camera. B:
- We've got a wide selection do you know if A: you'd like a point-and-shoot, or something a little fancier? Are you shopping for yourself or for someone else?
- Actually I'm buying a camera for my husband. В:
- Ah, well then I'd recommend a nice entry-level A: digital SLR.
- Yeah? Can I take a look at the SLRs you carry? В:
- Sure thing, follow me. This here is the. A:
- The Canon Eos. Yeah it's ok, but I'm looking for B: something that performs better in low light, has a better display panel, and longer battery life.
- Oh, ah, umthe Nikon D60 is a nice option. A:



- Yeah, but what kit lens does this camera come B: with? I don't want some bulky telephoto lens.
- Oh, well this one has the, uh. A:
- Looks to me like an 18-55mm lens. pretty stan-В: dard, that will do. Not like my husband will be stalking celebrities or anything!
- So, ahem, can I interest you in any acc... A:
- Accessories? Do you carry polarizing filters? B:
- Polarizing filter um we should! I'm sorry, ma'am. A: looks like we're sold out.
- No you're not! There are some right here! B:
- Oh, well, would you look at that! Po-la-ri-zing fil-A: ters.
- Thanks for your help, Ralph! B:
- No problem, ma'am. A:

Key Vocabulary



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pointandshoot

Adjective

Any compact non-SLR with camera noninterchangeable lenses, using automatic settings and simplified controls. Generally desired by novices and casual users.

interest someone in

phrase

singular

try to persuade someone to buy, do, or eat something

lens

commonnoun,

a transparent optical device used to converge or diverge transmitted light and to form images

polarizing filter

phrase

a camera lens filter used to control the plane of polarization of light entering the lens.

entrylevel

Adjective

simple and appropriate to an inexperienced

person

Supplementary Vocabulary

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tripod	common $singular$	noun,	a three-legged stand for a camera
filter	common $singular$	noun,	a lens screen of dyed gelatin or glass for con- trolling color or for di- minishing the intensity of light
exposure	common $singular$	noun,	the process of light hit- ting a photosensitive surface, such as film or a digital image sensor
shutter	common $singular$	noun,	a mechanical device for opening and closing the aperture of a camera lens to expose film
wide- angle lens	common $singular$	noun,	a lens which has a wide coverage angle so it can take in a great deal of scene, usually any lens shorter than 42mm