**Let’s talk about shopping.**

* Do you enjoy shopping?

(Thai) I do. Although I am not a shopaholic, I enjoy wandering in the mega mall with my friends. I like to buy clothes and accessories for myself because they are gifts for me after a long day at school. Also, they motivate me so I can keep moving on and trying harder. I also like shopping for groceries. Whenever I go to the groceries store, I am amazed by its variety of products. Therefore, it always excites me when I get in the store.

(Uyên) Yes, I like shopping and can spend the whole day shopping to try on clothes. Because going shopping helps me not only buy necessary items but also reduce stress after work. In addition, this is a chance for me to meet my friends who share the same interests and fashion. Therefore, on weekends I usually go shopping in the commercial centers with my friends although sometimes I don’t buy anything.

(Huệ) Yes, I do. Actually, it’s not that I’m a shopaholic or something. I'm an arbitrary person, so I will only go to the mall when I have a friend or mother with me or whenever I want.

But I must admit that shopping therapy is one of the effective methods to help me relax and reduce negative emotions.

(Thuy) To be honest, I’m pretty keen on shopping. I regularly look for clothes in the mall or stores on streets with my friends on weekends despite rarely purchasing. Because my part-time job is selling attires online, I need to catch the trend. Shopping supposts me not only in my work

but also spending time with my BFFs. We can both relax and give them suggestions to have the right suits which they like. We can’t usually meet together due to being juniors.

(Dung) Actually, I don’t like to go shopping very frequently. As far as I think, it’s a waste of time and money. We should spend our earnings very carefully to be financially strong. So, we should spend on our needs not on accessories.

(Hải Anh) Say yes for me. I am extremly interesting in shopping because I can buy everything want. That makes me relaxed after working hard. Morever, new thing brings new feeling for me . I like to go shopping with my friends. Sometimes, I don’t buy anything and just go round and round shopping malls.

(Huyen) Well, I’m fond of shopping although I’m not a shopaholic. I like hanging out at the mall with my friends to buy my favorite items such as clothes, accessories, cosmetics. Going shopping also help me to do more exercise because i have I have to walk a lot and release energy.

* How often do you go shopping? (usually - every once a week)

Almost every month, I think. But, most of the plans are impromptu,. I don’t usually follow the worldwide fashion trend, but whenever I have an eye for an item which is essential or it is in my preference, I will by it without having a second thought

(Uyên) Oh, it’s? not very often. I go shopping once a month. Although I really like shopping and want to increase the amount of time for this activity, I can’t because of being busy with school. Whenever there are discount programs, I will figure out a time to go.

(Huệ) Once a month or whenever I have free time and I want to budget for clothes, cosmetic... As I just mentioned, I’m an impulse shopper, so I don’t usually go shopping for groceries and try to catch on new fashion trends but whenever I have an eye for an item, I will purchase it without thinking so much.

(Hải Anh) I go shopping quite a lot. Recently, maybe three to four times a week, what I buy is usually daily needs such as fruit or food but not clothes or things like that.

(Thúy) Well to tell the truth, I rarely go shopping, onlyonce or twice a month when i’m bored to death of studying. I OFTEN call my friends and ask them to go to Dang Van Ngu and Cau Giay streets where there are a lot of shops. You know, clothes from stores in the mall aren’t as beautiful as from outside?? . Therefore, we seldom come to mall.

(Dung) That depends on what it is,, For groceries, it?? may be once a week and for other items, such as clothes it will be less often. [extend & quantitative language]

(Huyen) I think I do it almost every month. But I don’t plan, I’m an impulse shoper. I don’t usually follow trends, I prefer buying the items which I have an eye for???.

* Where do you usually shop?

(Huệ) Actually I have a list of shops because each shop represents different styles, you know. But if I must choose one kind of shop which I like most, I think I am fond of **stores** which have special offers on items and staff serve customers enthusiastically. I can go on a spending spree but I don’t cost an arm and a leg.

(Uyên) Well, clothing stores or shopping malls around Cau Giay Street are where I often go shopping. Here I can find tons of trendy boutiques? and choose beautiful apparel items at reasonable prices. You know, as a student, I’m on a tight budget so I can't afford expensive clothes. Therefore, I think this is the perfect place to buy clothes that are suitable for me.

(Hải Anh) I often go to the supermarket to buy food every day and go to the mall or some familiar shops to buy clothes and shoes, and cosmetics. In addition, I do my shopping online because it is quite convenient and does not take too much time.

(Huyen) Oh actually, I don’t have much time to go to the mall so I often do my shopping online. This allows me to read reviews and compare different items in terms of their prices and quality before deciding to buy . Shopping online also has more special offers than going to the shop or mall, which has helped me save quite some money.

* What’s the most expensive item that you’ve purchased?

(Huệ) Although normally, I’m careful with money, the most pricey thing I have ever bought for my daughter’s sister is a baby dress from the H & M Kids brand. The minute I hung out at the mall and saw the dress on its grocery, I decided that I had to have it though it costs a fortune. This dress is really luxurious, durable and if my nephew wears it, she looks just like a princess.

(Dung) Absolutely! I love to shop on the internet because online shopping offers many advantages over traditional shopping. First and foremost, some online stores have amazing collections for every age group. Secondly, we can buy anything through the net without going to crowded marketplaces and it’s a hustle free process. Thirdly, return policies have made it more attractive. Last but not the least, these stores have competitive prices for leading brands [vague answers - no explanation].

(Uyên) Maybe the most pricey item I have ever purchased for myself is a skirt which belongs to a famous brand. Although at that time, this skirt is on special offer, it still costs an arm and a leg. Nevertheless, I decided that I had to buy it because it only perfectly suited my style but also can mix easily and wear in a variety of circumstances like: going to school, going out,...