



Gift Shopping

Conversation > Intermediate 4



Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

anniversary	A date on which something important happened one or more years ago.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Our company celebrated its 20th anniversary.</i>

accessory	An item that is not needed, but is used to make something more beautiful or useful.
[noun]	<i>Ex: My sister's hobby is collecting fashion accessories.</i>

brooch	A piece of jewelry that is fastened onto clothes with a pin.
[noun]	<i>Ex: Please help me pin this brooch on my hair.</i>

wrap	To cover something completely in paper or some other material.
[verb]	<i>Ex: The store did a beautiful job of wrapping the gift.</i>

look good on	Used to say that something suits well to the person wearing it.
[phrase]	<i>Ex: These earrings look good on you.</i>



Exercise 2 – Dialogue

Choose one character and read the dialogue aloud with your tutor.

Peter: I'm looking for a suitable gift for my girlfriend. Tomorrow's our first anniversary.

Clerk: May I ask what she likes?

Peter: She's into clothes, shoes, and accessories. But I have no idea what kind of accessories she likes.

Clerk: Maybe a brooch? If your girlfriend likes accessories, this kind of brooch might look good on her.

Peter: I think so, too. She would be happy with it. I want to buy it. Can I pay by card?

Clerk: Of course you can. Would you like it wrapped?

Peter: Yes, please. And here's my card.

Clerk: Thank you for shopping here. We hope to see you again.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct answers from the answer pool below and fill in the blanks.

Answer Pool

looks good on

wrapped

brooch

accessories

anniversary

1. They _____ the baby in a soft blanket.
2. This _____ looks very expensive!
3. She went shopping with her friends to buy a few _____.
4. We went out to a nice restaurant for our wedding _____.
5. That dress _____ you.



Exercise 4 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: You are gift shopping for your friend, talk with the clerk about the gift. The teacher can be the clerk.



Exercise 5 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. On which occasions do you usually buy gifts for other people?
2. How much time and effort do you invest in buying presents for others? Why?
3. Do you think giving money as a gift is a good practice? Why or why not?
4. What do you think is the best gift that somebody could give you?
5. What do you do when you receive a present you don't like?