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Don't Shop in British English Without These Words

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English

The customer is shopping at the supermarket.

The couple is buying clothes.

The children are selling lemonade.

The man is trying on the suit.

The customer is paying at the register.

Vocabulary

English	Definition	Class
customer	person who buys something from another person or business	noun
shop	to go and buy goods at stores	verb
supermarket	place to buy groceries	noun
couple	two people or two things, a few	noun
buy	to get something in exchange for money	verb
clothes	fabric worn on body	noun
children	young humans	noun
sell	to offer something in exchange for money	verb
lemonade	drink made from lemons and sugar and water	noun
man	adult human male	noun
try on	to put something on to see if it fits or looks nice	verb
suit	set of clothes usually for professional or formal settings	noun
pay	to give money in exchange for goods or services	verb
till	machine to store money and calculate cash in restaurants and shops	noun

Vocabulary Sample Sentences

The waiter was very polite to the customers.

I prefer to shop online.

The supermarket near my house is quite small.

Mike and Vicky make a nice couple.

There are a couple reasons not to go to the concert: money and time.

He always buys nonfat milk.

Do these clothes fit me?

He was keen on seeing his children again.

My brother is is trying to sell his car.

The lemonade was sweet.

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The man disappeared into the shadows.

He tried on the pants.

He got a bargain on the price of the suit.

I paid for the coffee.

Grammar Points

The focus of this lesson is tense comparison in British English.

Present tense, Present Progressive tense, and Past tense

In this lesson you'll learn the difference between the different tenses in the English language: present tense, present progressive tense, and past tense.

1. The customer is shopping at the supermarket.

Tense	British English
present tense	The customer shops at the supermarket.
present progressive tense	The customer is shopping at the supermarket.
past tense	The customer shopped at the supermarket.

2. The couple is buying clothes.

Tense	British English
present tense	The couple buys clothes.
present progressive tense	The couple is buying clothes.
past tense	The couple bought clothes.

3. The children are selling lemonade.

Tense	British English
present tense	The children sell lemonade.
present progressive tense	The children are selling lemonade.
past tense	The children sold lemonade.

4. The man is trying on the suit.

Tense	British English
present tense	The man tries on the suit.
present progressive tense	The man is trying on the suit.
past tense	The man tried on the suit.

5. The customer is paying at the register.

Tense	British English
present tense	The customer pays at the register
present progressive tense	The customer is paying at the register
past tense	The customer paid at the register