

- In order to be useful to store and corporate office management, sales and stock performance reporting views have to ascribe sales, return, receipts (both in financial terms and operational terms) and other activities to a **ReportingPeriod**. Also, they have to summarize item-level information into meaningful groupings of merchandise items to help managers identify sales and stock behavior patterns.

ARTS Merchandise Hierarchy for creating any number of different hierarchies and levels within hierarchies

