

High School Beginner ESL - Shopping Session

Hello Student!

This session will help you practice:


- Shopping and money talks
- Asking and answering questions
- Speaking clearly in English
- Showing feelings with your voice
- Words that sound similar
- Reading a simple story

Section 1: Shopping Conversations

How to do this:

1. Read each phrase out loud
2. Practice saying it clearly
3. Use hand movements to help

At the Store

Example: "How much is this?" 

Try saying it like:

- "What is the price of this shirt?"
- "Is this on sale?"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Paying for Items

Example: "Can I pay with a card?" 

Try saying it like:

- "I want to pay with cash."
- "Do you have change for \$20?"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Comparing Prices

Example: "This one costs less." 🗨️

Try saying it like:

- "I think this is cheaper."
- "Which one costs less, the blue or the red?"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Shopping Places

Example: "I like to shop at the mall." 🗨️

Try saying it like:

- "I like online shopping."
- "My favorite store is [store name]."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Finding Items

Example: "Can you help me find a size M?" 🗨️

Try saying it like:



- "Where are the shoes?"
- "I'm looking for a blue jacket."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 2: Voice Practice

How to do this:

1. Read each sentence out loud
2. Try making your voice go up  or down 
3. Circle the one that sounds best

How much is this?

Voice: ☐ Up  ☐ Down  ☐ Flat →


Usually said with: Voice goes up at the end (Up )

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

It costs ten dollars.

Voice: ☐ Up  ☐ Down  ☐ Flat →

Usually said with: Voice goes down at the end (Down )

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

That's too much!

Voice: ☐ Up  ☐ Down  ☐ Flat →

Usually said with: Up then down (Up for "That's" then down for "much")

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Do you have a smaller size?

Voice: ☐ Up  ☐ Down  ☐ Flat →


Usually said with: Voice goes up at the end (Up )

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

I'll take this one.

Voice: ☐ Up  ☐ Down  ☐ Flat →

Usually said with: Voice goes down at the end (Down )

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 3: Word Stress Practice

How to do this:

1. The BIG letters show where to put stress
2. Say that part LOUDER and longer

3. Practice each word three times

discount

Say it like: DIS-count (stress on first part)

Try it in a sentence: "The store has a DIS-count today."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

expensive

Say it like: ex-PEN-sive (stress on middle part)

Try it in a sentence: "These shoes are too ex-PEN-sive."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

receipt

Say it like: re-CEIPT (stress on second part)

Try it in a sentence: "Can I have a re-CEIPT, please?"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

shopping

Say it like: SHOP-ping (stress on first part)

Try it in a sentence: "I go SHOP-ping on weekends."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

dollar

Say it like: DOL-lar (stress on first part)

Try it in a sentence: "This costs five DOL-lars."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 4: Showing Feelings

How to do this:

1. Read each sentence with the feeling shown
2. Change your voice and face to match
3. Practice showing the feeling clearly

I found a sale! 😄

(Show: Happy - speak faster, smile big)

Voice: Higher, excited

Face: Big smile, wide eyes

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

I can't find my wallet. 😟

(Show: Worried - speak softer)

Voice: Faster, concerned

Face: Worried look, looking around

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Do you have this in red? 😕

(Show: Curious - speak with interest)

Voice: Clear, up at the end

Face: Head slightly tilted

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Twenty dollars? That's too much! 😲

(Show: Surprised - speak with emphasis)

Voice: Higher on "twenty," louder on "too much"

Face: Wide eyes, open mouth

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Thank you for helping me. 😊

(Show: Grateful - speak warmly)

Voice: Gentle, sincere

Face: Smile, eye contact

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 5: Similar-Sounding Words



How to do this:

1. Listen to your tutor say each pair
2. Try saying both words

3. Circle the word you hear when tested

price vs. prize

(Different ending sounds: "s" vs. "z")

Say both:  price (cost of item) -  prize (something you win)

Price meaning: How much money something costs



Prize meaning: Something you win in a game or contest

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

sale vs. sail

(Same sound, different meaning)

Say both:  sale (lower price) -  sail (on a boat)

Sale meaning: When items cost less than normal



Sail meaning: The large piece of cloth on a boat that catches wind

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

cash vs. catch

(Different ending sounds: "sh" vs. "ch")

Say both:  cash (money) -  catch (grab)

Cash meaning: Paper money and coins



Catch meaning: To grab something with your hands

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

cheap vs. chip

(Different vowel sounds: "ea" vs. "i")

Say both:  cheap (low cost) -  chip (small piece)

Cheap meaning: Something that doesn't cost much money



Chip meaning: A small piece broken off something larger

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

cost vs. coast

(Different vowel sounds: short "o" vs. long "o")

Say both:  cost (price) -  coast (beach area)

Cost meaning: The price of something

Coast meaning: The land next to the ocean or sea

Your Answer: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 6: Reading Practice: Going Shopping

How to do this:

1. Listen to your tutor read first
2. Then read out loud, one sentence at a time
3. Stop at periods (.) and pause at commas (,)

Today I want to buy new clothes. I go to the mall. ⬇

I look for sale signs. I want good prices! ⬆ ⬇

I go to a shoe store. "How much are these shoes?" I ask. ⬆

"They cost \$30, but today there's a sale," says the worker. ⬇

"Good! I'll take them," I say. I pay with my card. ⬇

Next, I look for a shirt. I find a blue one and a red one. ⬇

The blue one fits better. "I'll buy this one," I tell the cashier. ⬇

After shopping, I feel happy with my new things. Shopping is fun when you save money! ⬆ ⬇

Reading Tips:

- Pause at commas (,) ⏸
- Stop at periods (.) □
- Sound happy at exclamation points (!) 📣
- Make your voice go up for questions (?) ⬆
- Use different voices for talking (" ") 🗣

Tutor's tip: _____

Wrap-Up: What Did You Learn Today?

New Words I Learned:

1. _____
2. _____

3.

4.

5.

Words to Practice More:

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

My Favorite Part Today:
