

ESL Session Series

Session 3: Shopping

Hello Student!

This session will help you practice:

- Shopping and money vocabulary
- Asking for prices and information
- Comparing things using adjectives
- Pronunciation of numbers and prices
- Having a conversation in a store
- Writing a shopping list

Section 1: Conversation Practice

How to do this:

1. Read each conversation phrase
2. Practice saying it clearly and naturally
3. Try using hand gestures or facial expressions


Shopping for Clothes

Example: "How much is this shirt?" 

Try saying it like:

- "Excuse me, how much does this jacket cost?"
- "What's the price of these shoes?" Your Practice: _____ Tutor's tip: _____

Asking About Sizes

Example: "Do you have this in size medium?" 

Try saying it like:

- "Is this available in large?"
- "Can I try a smaller size, please?" Your Practice: _____ Tutor's tip: _____

Comparing Items

Example: "This one is cheaper than that one." 💰

Try saying it like:

- "The red sweater is more expensive than the blue one."
- "These pants are longer than those ones." Your Practice: _____ Tutor's tip: _____

At the Checkout

Example: "I would like to pay with cash." 💵

Try saying it like:

- "Can I pay with my credit card?"
- "Do you accept debit cards?" Your Practice: _____ Tutor's tip: _____

Section 2: Numbers and Prices

How to do this:

1. Practice saying each price clearly
2. Pay attention to the dollar sign (\$) and decimal point (.)
3. Remember to stress the correct syllables

\$5.99

Say it like: "Five dollars and ninety-nine cents"

Or: "Five ninety-nine"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

\$23.50

Say it like: "Twenty-three dollars and fifty cents"

Or: "Twenty-three fifty"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

\$100.00

Say it like: "One hundred dollars"

Or: "A hundred dollars"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

\$12.25

Say it like: "Twelve dollars and twenty-five cents"

Or: "Twelve twenty-five"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

\$49.99

Say it like: "Forty-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents"

Or: "Forty-nine ninety-nine"

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 3: Comparing with Adjectives

How to do this:

1. Learn how to compare two things
2. Practice saying the correct form of each adjective
3. Make your own comparison sentences

One-Syllable Adjectives: Add -er

cheap → cheaper

Example: "This bag is cheaper than that one."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

big → bigger (double the final consonant)

Example: "The black jacket is bigger than the blue one."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

small → smaller

Example: "My phone is smaller than yours."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Two-Syllable and Longer Adjectives: Use "more"

expensive → more expensive

Example: "Designer clothes are more expensive than regular clothes."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

beautiful → more beautiful

Example: "These flowers are more beautiful than those ones."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

comfortable → more comfortable

Example: "These shoes are more comfortable than my old ones."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Irregular Comparatives

good → better

Example: "The quality of this shirt is better than I expected."

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

bad → worse

Example: "The traffic today is worse than yesterday."

Your Practice: _____


Tutor's tip: _____


Section 4: Shopping Conversation

How to do this:

1. Practice this dialogue with your tutor
2. Pay attention to your intonation
3. Try to sound natural and confident


At a Clothing Store



Customer: Excuse me, can you help me find a jacket? 


Salesperson: Of course! What size are you looking for? 

Customer: I usually wear a medium. Do you have any in blue? 

Salesperson: Yes, we have several blue jackets. This one is \$45.99. 

Customer: That's a bit expensive. Do you have anything cheaper? 

Salesperson: This one is on sale for \$29.99. It's less expensive but still good quality.  

Customer: I like it! Can I try it on? 

Salesperson: Sure, the fitting room is over there. 🗑️

Customer: It fits perfectly. I'll take it! 🗑️ 🗑️

Salesperson: Great! Will you be paying with cash or card? 🗑️

Customer: Credit card, please. 🗑️

Salesperson: Thank you for shopping with us today! 🗑️ 🗑️

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 5: Vocabulary Practice

How to do this:

1. Match each word with its definition
2. Practice pronouncing each word
3. Try to use each word in a sentence

Shopping Vocabulary

1. Sale _____
2. Discount _____
3. Size _____
4. Receipt _____
5. Cashier _____
6. Aisle _____
7. Shopping cart _____
8. Price tag _____
9. Fitting room _____
10. Bargain _____

Definitions:

- A. A place where you can try on clothes
- B. How big or small something is
- C. A person who takes your payment at a store
- D. A piece of paper showing what you bought
- E. A good deal; something inexpensive
- F. A lower price for a limited time
- G. A reduction in the original price

- H. A label that shows how much something costs
- I. A wheeled basket used to collect items in a store
- J. A walkway between shelves in a store

Your Practice: _____

Tutor's tip: _____

Section 6: Reading Practice: Shopping for Groceries

How to do this:

1. First listen to your tutor read
2. Then read out loud, sentence by sentence
3. Pay attention to punctuation and emotions

Maria needs to go grocery shopping. She makes a list of everything she needs: milk, bread, eggs, fruit, and vegetables. 🗣️

She takes her shopping bag and walks to the supermarket. When she arrives, she gets a shopping cart. 🗣️

First, Maria goes to the produce section. She looks at the apples. "These red ones are \$2.99 per pound," she thinks. "But the green ones are on sale for \$1.99. I'll get the green apples." 🗣️ 🗣️

Next, she needs bread. There are many kinds to choose from. Some are more expensive than others.

Maria chooses a whole wheat loaf for \$3.50. 🗣️

In the dairy section, she finds milk and eggs. The eggs cost \$4.25 for a dozen. "That's more expensive than last week," she says to herself. 🗣️ 🗣️

After getting everything on her list, Maria goes to the checkout. "Did you find everything okay?" asks the cashier. 🗣️

"Yes, thank you," Maria replies. "How much is my total?" 🗣️

"Your total is \$24.73," says the cashier. "Will you pay with cash or card?" 🗣️

"Cash, please," says Maria. She pays and takes her receipt. "Have a nice day!" 🗣️ 🗣️

Maria walks home with her groceries. She is happy because she saved money by buying things on sale. 🗣️

Reading Questions:

1. What items were on Maria's shopping list? _____
2. Which apples did Maria buy and why? _____
3. How much was the bread Maria chose? _____
4. What did Maria think about the price of eggs? _____
5. How much was Maria's total at checkout? _____ Tutor's tip: _____

Section 7: Writing Practice: My Shopping List

How to do this:

1. Write a shopping list of 8-10 items
2. Add estimated prices for each item
3. Calculate the total cost
4. Write 3-5 sentences about what you will buy and why

My Shopping List:

1. _____ \$ _____
2. _____ \$ _____
3. _____ \$ _____
4. _____ \$ _____
5. _____ \$ _____
6. _____ \$ _____
7. _____ \$ _____
8. _____ \$ _____ Total: \$ _____

Why I need these items:

Tutor's tip: _____

Wrap-Up: For Next Time

Words I Want to Learn:

Things to Practice:
