

PAYING IN A SHOP

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Vocabulary

Conversation

From the conversation

Other vocabulary

mugs grandes tasses
cheque (GB)
check (US) chèque
chequebook chéquier
cash dispenser distributeur
put aside mettre de côté
sale goods marchandises
deposit arrhes, acompte
ID (identification)
 pièce d'identité
charge purchases to
an account mettre les
 achats sur un compte
loyalty card carte de fidélité
discount réduction
store card carte du magasin

cash back *système britannique qui permet de tirer du liquide à la caisse quand on paie avec une carte*
change monnaie
checkout/till caisse
credit facilities des facilités de paiement
debit card carte de débit immédiat (*très fréquent en GB*)
giftwrap *(n)* papier cadeau ; *(vb)* faire un paquet-cadeau
impulse buy achat spontané
interest-free credit
 crédit gratuit
price tag/label étiquette
receipt reçu

Customer: Excuse me, do you take credit cards?

Sales assistant: Yes, but only if you spend £10 or more.

C: Oh, I just wanted to buy these two mugs. But they only cost £2 each.

SA: I'm afraid you'll have to pay by cheque or cash, then.

C: I've forgotten my cheque-book, and I don't have any cash on me.

SA: There's a cash dispenser just round the corner. It accepts all the main bank cards.

C: Could you put the mugs aside for me till I come back?

They're the last two.

SA: I'm sorry, but I can't reserve sale goods without a deposit.

Why don't you open an account with us? All you need is some ID, and I can charge the purchases to your account.

C: It hardly seems worthwhile opening an account for £4!

SA: There's no minimum amount, and you get a loyalty card, which entitles you to lots of special offers and discounts.

C: No, I'm not keen on store cards. In fact, I don't think I'm keen on these mugs any more, either. Goodbye.

JEUX

► Après avoir lu la liste de mots, faire les jeux suivants.

SHOPPING DES MOTS

Trouver les mots de la liste dans la grille. Ils sont cachés dans tous les sens – de haut en bas, de bas en haut, de droite à gauche, de gauche à droite et en diagonale.

T	D	R	A	C	E	R	O	T	S	B	T
C	R	E	G	I	F	T	W	R	A	P	A
H	A	A	P	D	P	O	H	S	L	U	G
E	C	S	C	O	S	T	K	X	E	R	A
C	T	C	H	X	S	E	Z	C	G	C	B
K	I	I	A	D	T	I	Q	H	O	H	R
O	D	N	L	D	E	K	T	A	O	A	E
U	E	V	X	L	D	S	Q	N	D	S	I
T	R	O	L	L	E	Y	K	G	S	E	R
E	C	I	R	P	T	P	I	E	C	E	R
A	C	C	O	U	N	T	N	U	O	M	A
F	R	E	E	C	R	E	D	I	T	Z	C

ACCOUNT	INVOICE
AMOUNT	PRICE
BASKET	PURCHASE
CADDY	RECEIPT
CARRIER BAG	SALE GOODS
CART	SHOP
CASHDESK	STORE CARD
CHANGE	TAG
CHECKOUT	TILL
COST	TROLLEY
CREDIT CARD	
DEPOSIT	
FREE CREDIT	
GIFTWRAP	
ID	

EQUIVALENTS AMÉRICAINS

"Check" est l'équivalent américain du mot britannique "cheque". Associer chaque mot britannique de la colonne A à son équivalent américain de la colonne B.

A	B
1 car park	a soda
2 pavement	b movie theater
3 soft/fizzy drink	c sneakers
4 railway	d gasoline
5 trainers	e parking lot
6 trousers	f apartment house
7 policeman	g store
8 block of flats	h vacationer
9 holidaymaker	i cop
10 cinema	j sidewalk
11 shop	k railroad
12 petrol	l pants

Solutions

Equivalents américains : 1 car park, parking lot; 2 pavement, sidewalk; 3 soft/fizzy drink, soda; 4 railway, railroad; 5 trainers, sneakers; 6 trousers, pants; 7 policeman, cop; 8 block of flats, apartment house; 9 holidaymaker, vacationer; 10 cinema, movie theater; 11 shop, store; 12 petrol, gasoline.