

## Activity Type

Vocabulary and Speaking  
Activity: categorising,  
ordering, role-play,  
creating and presenting a  
dialogue (pair work)

## Focus

Clothes shopping

## Aim

To practice clothes  
shopping phrases.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the  
worksheet for each  
student.

## Level

Pre-intermediate (A2)

## Time

30 minutes

## Introduction

In this clothes shopping activity, students categorise and order clothes shop conversations and role-play a clothes shopping dialogue.

## Procedure

Give each student a copy of the worksheet.

First, students sort three clothes shop dialogues into conversations one, two and three by reading the customer and shop assistant responses and labelling the lines 1, 2, or 3.

Exercise A - Answer key

1. How much are these jeans?
2. I'm looking for something to match this shirt.
3. I bought this skirt last week, but it's too small.
3. I'm sorry, but that's the only size we have at the moment.
1. Yes, they are \$19.99.
2. Well, we have some new jeans just in. They are half price.
2. They look good. Do you accept credit cards here?
3. Could you order a larger size for me?
1. They're nice. Do you have them in dark blue?
3. Yes, but it would take two weeks to arrive.
1. No, I'm sorry. We only have them in light blue.
2. Yes, we do.
2. OK, I'll take them then.
3. That's too long. I need it for a party on Friday.
1. That's fine. Could I try them on?
3. I'm sorry. Would you like to exchange it for something else?
1. Of course. The changing rooms are over there.
2. I'll just put them in a bag for you.

Next, students practice the three clothes shop conversations in pairs.

After that, review the clothes shop language with the class and elicit other phrases a shop assistant and customer might use, e.g. 'Hello, can I help you?' Write the students' ideas on the board.

Finally, pairs create their own clothes shop dialogue between a shop assistant and a customer and present it to the class.

**A. Sort the three clothes shop dialogues into conversations 1, 2 and 3.**

Customer

...1... How much are these jeans?

...2... I'm looking for something to match this shirt.

...3... I bought this skirt last week, but it's too small.

Shop assistant

..... I'm sorry, but that's the only size we have at the moment.

..... Yes, they are \$19.99.

..... Well, we have some new jeans just in. They are half price.

Customer

..... They look good. Do you accept credit cards here?

..... Could you order a larger size for me?

..... They're nice. Do you have them in dark blue?

Shop assistant

..... Yes, but it would take two weeks to arrive.

..... No, I'm sorry. We only have them in light blue.

..... Yes, we do.

Customer

..... OK, I'll take them then.

..... That's too long. I need it for a party on Friday.

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Shop assistant

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..... Of course. The changing rooms are over there.

..... I'll just put them in a bag for you.



**B. Read the three clothes shop conversations with a partner.**

**C. Now, in pairs, create your own clothes shopping dialogue between a shop assistant and a customer. Write your part of the dialogue below.**

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