Introduction
In this engaging role-play activity, students act as customers and shop assistants and practice buying and selling items in a shop.

Procedure
Before you begin the activity, pre-teach or revise language for buying and selling items in a shop with the class.

Next, divide the class into six groups and have each group sit around a table.

Give each group a shop name card and a corresponding numbered shopping list.

Have the students fold the card along the line and stand it up on the table to show the name of their shop, e.g. bakery. Also, give each group a set of corresponding picture cards showing the shopping items they have for sale.

Explain that the aim of the activity is to be the first group to buy all the items on their shopping list.

To do this, each group sends out one student (the customer) from their group to buy the first item on their shopping list.

Tell the students that only one student can go shopping at a time and that the students left waiting at the table take it in turns to be the shop assistant for their shop.

The customer then goes to what they think is the right shop and begins a conversation with the shop assistant, e.g. 'Hi, have you got...?'

If the shop assistant has the item, they sell it to the customer and hand over the shopping item picture card.

If the shop assistant doesn't have the item, the customer should go and find the right shop.

When the customer has the shopping item, they return to their group and the second customer goes off in search of the next item on the list.

The first group to buy all the items on their shopping list wins.

When everyone has finished, have the groups swap their materials and play a second round and so on.
### Shopping lists

**Shopping list 1**
- three lamb chops
- two packets of potato chips
- half a kilo of broccoli
- a carton of milk
- a tube of toothpaste
- 500 grams of bacon

**Shopping list 2**
- five croissants
- a chicken
- two packets of sweets
- a cabbage
- 200 grams of cheese
- a loaf of bread

**Shopping list 3**
- a bottle of aspirin
- a slice of chocolate cake
- two steaks
- a newspaper
- four bananas
- lip stick

**Shopping list 4**
- five bottles of water
- a bottle of vitamins
- two slices of cheesecake
- six sausages
- a magazine
- two cartons of yogurt

**Shopping list 5**
- three carrots
- half a dozen eggs
- a packet of razors
- three baguettes
- 300 grams of ham
- two onions

**Shopping list 6**
- a chocolate bar
- three apples
- a packet of coffee
- a box of plasters
- four blueberry muffins
- two cans of coke

### Shop names

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