

Chapter 17

Stores – Shopping

bargain with	=	jiǎngjià	讲价
You should bargain with him.			
You should	with	him	<u>bargain.</u>
Nǐ dēi	gēn	tā	<u>jiǎngjià.</u>
你 得	跟	他	讲价。

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buy	=	mǎi	买		
toy	=	wánjù	玩具		
We need to buy toys for Christmas.					
We	<u>Christmas</u>	time	need	to buy	<u>toys.</u>
Wǒmen	<u>Shèngdànjié</u>	shí	xūyào	mǎi	<u>wánjù.</u>
我们	圣诞节	时	需要	买	玩具。

(Chinese Tonal Note: Notice that the Chinese words “buy” and “sell” are spelled the same! This is a perfect example of how tonal changes change the meaning of a word! In speaking AND writing Pinyin, it is as important to tone the words properly as it is to pronounce them correctly. Case in point here: are you “buying” or “selling?” That depends on how you tone it!)

sell	=	mài	卖
Do you sell camera film?			
This	<u>sells</u>	camera film	yes / no?
Zhè(r)	<u>mài</u>	jiāojiǎn	ma?
这	卖	胶卷	吗 ?

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cheap, inexpensive = piányi 便宜

This shirt is really cheap, only \$5.00.
 This shirt (is) real cheap, surprisingly \$5.00.
 Zhè jiàn chènshān zhēn piányi, cái wǔ kuài.
 这件衬衫真便宜, 才五块。

cheapest = zuìpiányi 最便宜

This pair of pants is the cheapest.
 This pair of pants (the) cheapest.
 Zhè yī tiáo kùzi zuìpiányi.
 这一条裤子最便宜。

department store = bǎihuò shāngdiàn 百货商店

We often go to department stores.
 We often go to department stores.
 Wǒmen jīngcháng shàng bǎihuò shāngdiàn.
 我们经常上百货商店。

free, no charge = miǎnfèi 免费

It was free.
 It was free.
 Zhè shì miǎnfèi de.
 这是免费的。

how much (is this?) = duōshao 多少
 (if expected to be more than 10)

How much is this flour?
 This flour how much money?
 Zhè dài miànfěn duōshao qián?
 这袋面粉多少钱?

several = jǐge 几个

(if expected to be less than 10)

There are several people in the store.

In	(the)	store	there are	<u>several</u>	people.
Zài		shāngdiànlǐ	yǒu	<u>jǐge</u>	rén?
在		商店里	有	几个	人。

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thing, object = dōngxi 东西

modern = xiàndài 现代

These	things	are	very	modern.	Everybody has them!		
These	<u>things</u>	(are)	very	<u>modern.</u>	Everybody	all	have!
Zhèxiē	<u>dōngxi</u>		hěn	<u>xiàndài.</u>	Dàjiā	dōu	yǒu!
这些	东西		很	现代。	大家	都	有！

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new = xīn 新

Like	your	new	car?	
Like	your	<u>new</u>	car	yes / no?
Xǐhuan	nǐde	<u>xīn</u>	qìchē	ma?
喜欢	你的	新	汽车	吗？

old, used = jiù 旧

That	is	an	antique	dresser.	All		old	furniture.
That	is	(an)	antique	dresser.	All of it	already	is	<u>old</u>
Nà	shì		gǔdǒng	de yīguì.	Quánbù	dōu	shì	<u>jiù</u>
那	是		古董	的	全部	都	是	旧
				衣柜。				家具。

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open its doors = kāimén 开门

shop (noun) = pùzi 铺子

What time does the shop open?

<u>Shop</u>	what time	<u>open its doors?</u>
<u>Pùzi</u>	jǐ diǎn	<u>kāimén?</u>
铺子	几点	开门?

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price = jiàgé 价格

It	depends	on	the	price.
(It)	Will	depend	on	(the)
	Yào	kàn		
	要	看		价格。

sale prices, reduce prices = jiǎnjià 减价

Women's	dresses	and	hats	are	all	on	sale.
Women's	dresses	and	hats	(are)	all	on	<u>sale.</u>
Nǚrén	de	nǚzhuāng	hé	màozi	dōu	zài	<u>jiǎnjià.</u>
女人	的	女装	和	帽子	都	在	减价。

sales person (man or woman) = tuīxiāoyuán 推销员

Is there a sales person who can help me?

Where we are	is there / is there not	(a)	<u>sales person</u>	can	help	me?
Zhèlǐ	yǒu méiyǒu		<u>tuīxiāoyuán</u>	néng	bāngzhù	wǒ?
这里	有 没有		推销员	能	帮助	我?

write a receipt = kāi fāpiào 开发票

Please write a receipt.

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Qǐng kāi fāpiào.

请 开发票。

secondhand clothing store, used = gùyīpù 估衣铺

Can you take me to the secondhand clothing store?

You can take me to go to (the) secondhand clothing store yes / no ?
Nǐ kěyǐ dài wǒ qù gùyīpù ma?

你 可以 带 我 去 估衣铺 吗 ?

secondhand goods, = jiùhuò 旧货
used goods

I like used.

I like used goods.

Wǒ xǐhuan jiùhuò.

我 喜欢 旧货。

secondhand goods store, used = jiùhuòtān 旧货摊

Can you search for the secondhand goods store?

You can look for to reach secondhand goods store yes / no?
Nǐ néng zhǎo dào jiùhuòtān ma?

你 能 找 到 旧货摊 吗 ?

shoe store, shoe shop = xiédiàn 鞋店

Mother, here is a shoe store.

Mother, here is (a) shoe store.

Māma, zhèr shì xiédiàn.

妈妈, 这儿 是 鞋店。

shopping = mǎi dōngxi 买东西

When are we going shopping?

We when go shopping?
 Wǒmen shénme shíhou qù mǎi dōngxi?
 我们 什么时候 去 买东西？

store (place to buy things) = shāngdiàn 商店

What time does the store open?

Store what time open its doors?
Shāngdiàn jǐdiǎn kāimén?
 商店 几点 开门？

Too expensive! = Tài guì le! 太贵了！

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太贵了！

toy store = wánjù diàn 玩具店

Tommy says, tomorrow the toy store is having a big sale.
 Tommy says, tomorrow (the) toy store (is) having (a) big sale.
 Tommy shuō, míngtiān wánjù diàn yǒu dà jiǎnjià.
 _____ 说, 明天 玩具店 有 大 减价。

window shopping = guàngjiē 逛街

No cash, let's go window-shopping.
 No cash, we but go window-shopping.
 Méi yǒu qián, wǒmen háishi qù guàngjiē.
 没有 钱, 我们 还是 去 逛街。