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I would like to tell you something about shopping, fashion and clothing. I think that shopping is everyday activity of each of us. When we want to buy something we go to a shop. There are many kinds of shops in every town or city, but most of them have a food supermarket, a department store, men's and women's clothing stores, grocery, a bakery and butchery.

Most people like to do their shopping in big department stores and supermarkets. They sell various goods under one roof and this is very convenient. A department store, for example, is composed of many departments: ready-made clothes, fabrics, shoes, sports goods, toys, china and glass, electric appliances, cosmetics etc. You can buy everything you like there. The methods of shopping may vary. It may be a self-service shop where the customer goes from counter to counter selecting and putting into a basket what he wishes to buy. If it's not a self-service shop, and most small shops are not, the shop-assistant helps the customer in finding what he wants.

The other possible way of shopping is internet shopping. A lot of people like it because it's very comfortable because you sit at home and choose what you would like to buy. Sometimes you can get bargain because products on the internet are mostly cheaper. But there are also some disadvantages of buying on the internet. The main is that you can't try clothes on and that you don't see what you really buy. Personally I prefer shopping at shops because it is funnier for me. But sometimes I buy on the internet too. But I don't buy there any clothes but for example books or my contact lens.

The other way of shopping which I do most often is "window shopping". It is really cheap kind of shopping because you don't buy anything. You just go around some shop and you stop and stare to windows and dream about what you would like to buy. I really hate this kind of

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shopping because it makes me crazy that I can't effort these wonderful things in windows.

There are also different ways of paying in shops. I think that most of people pay by cash. But in these times pile up people who pay by credit card. I think that this kind of paying is the most comfortable because you don't have to have any money on you and you still can buy something you want. It is also good because of thieves.

Now something about clothing. One of the most important factors in how people see each other is the clothes they wear. This is especially important to teenagers. Their clothes express the image they want to project. Some people choose clothes and colours according to their feeling and mood. What to wear also depends on weather conditions. If it's colder outside I wear a sweater or light jacket. In winter I wear a winter coat, gloves and scarf. In summer I like to wear light shorts, skirts, tops or dresses. For special occasions like balls, weddings or theatre performances we should choose formal clothes. Women usually wear a dress or a blouse and a skirt, a pair of stockings or tights and shoes. They also might wear an evening dress. Women have many more choices about decorative items. Men usually wear for these special occasions a suit, a shirt and tie or bow tie and patent shoes.

Now something about fashion. I think fashion is part of everyone's life. Each of us has different attitude to fashion. Somebody follows every new trend and must be always fashionable and somebody has his own style. Somebody also has to have only brand-name clothes. Also every group of people has its own style. For example people who listen to the hard music such as rock, punk or metal usually wear black clothes and dark make-up. Sometimes they wear T-shirts with logo of their favourite band and they especially wear black combat boots. On the other hand people who listen for example hip hop or rap have different clothing habits. They wear everything big. They wear big jeans or sweatpants, XXL T-shirts and mainly trainers and hip hop caps. They may wear some kind of jewellery especially big gold chains on their necks. And that is not all. There are a lot of different styles of clothing and each of them shows our personality, mood and interests.