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**COURSE NAME : 23HS404 Additional Language - French**

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Unit IV: Conversation about food and shopping

Topic 1 : Speak about Shopping & phrases used for Shopping



# Shopping - achats



Paris is famous for its fashion, and one of the best is clothing, cheese, wine. It's mostly famous for Champagne and Perfumes



# Useful phrases related to shopping in French.



- acheter to buy
- avoir to have
- chercher to look for
- dépenser to spend
- essayer to try on
- rendre to return (an item)
- trouver to find
- vendre to sell
- vouloir to want



# Let's go shopping!



For necessities

**faire les / des courses**

to go food shopping, run errands

For fun

**faire les / des achats**

to go shopping

**faire les magasins**

to go shopping

**faire du shopping**

to go shopping

For free

**faire du lèche-vitrines**

to window shop



## What the clerk might say ...

Je peux vous aider ?

Qu'est-ce que vous cherchez ?

Je vous écoute.

J'arrive.

Quelle pointure (faites-vous) ?

Quelle taille (faites-vous) ?

C'est pour offrir ?

## What you might respond ...

Je voudrais ..., J'aimerais ...

Combien coûte ... ?

Avez-vous ...?

C'est ...

trop grand

trop petit

parfait

Je regarde seulement, merci.

May I help you?

What are you looking for?

(Go ahead) I'm listening.

I'll be right there/back

What's your shoe size?

What's your (clothing) size?

Is it a gift?

I would like...

How much does ... cost?

Do you have ...?

It's ...

too big

too small

perfect

I'm just looking, thanks.



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When being ready with just a few simple words and phrases, along with an understanding of “la politesse” – basic rules of French politeness will help shopping a great and helpful experience.

**Upon entering a shop : Greet “Bonjour Monsieur/Madame,”**

**A sales person is likely to ask you - “Puis-je vous aider?” – “Can I help you?”**

- **Please... “S’il vous plait..” (Seal-voo-play)**
- **...Excuse me. “Excusez-moi.” (Es-cue-say mwa)**
- **I do not speak French. “Je ne parle pas Français.” (Juh- nuh parl pa frahn-say.)**
- **Do you speak English? “Parlez-vous anglais?” (Par-lay vooz ahn-glay?)**
- **To ask the price of something in French, ask “Combien coûte?”**
- **While getting ready to leave the store, always smile, say, “Thank you!” “Merci!,” and “Good Bye,” “Au revoir”**



**THANK YOU - Merci!**