

UNIT
12

Prices

Getting Ready

Can you guess the price of these items in a typical American city? Write the prices in the chart. Then write the prices of the items in your city.



75¢

\$1500

\$9

\$20

\$140

\$500

	American city's price	Your city's price
1. a movie ticket	\$9	_____
2. a newspaper	_____	_____
3. a digital camera	_____	_____
4. a DVD	_____	_____
5. a pair of sneakers	_____	_____
6. a laptop computer	_____	_____

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Listening 1

People are asking about prices. Listen and write the price of each item.



1. \$55



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____

Listening 2

CD 2-20 ► Task 1

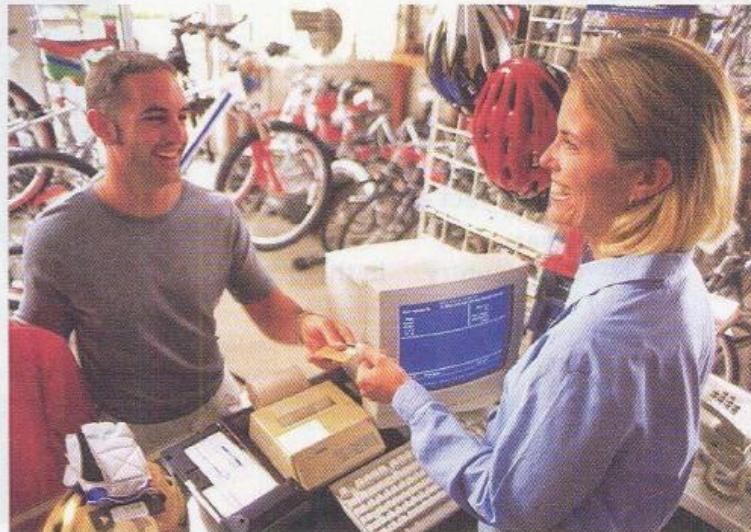
Listen to cashiers in a store. Write the total amount each person needs to pay and the amount of change each person receives.

1. total: \$7.50

change: \$12.50

2. total: _____

change: _____



3. total: _____

change: _____

5. total: _____

change: _____

4. total: _____

change: _____

6. total: _____

change: _____

CD 2-20 ► Task 2

Listen again. What two things did each person buy? Check (✓) the correct answers.

1. soup
 soap
 apples
 tomatoes
 shampoo

2. CD
 DVD
 batteries
 cassette
 poster

3. newspapers
 stamps
 books
 magazines
 notebook

4. coat
 T-shirt
 shoes
 socks
 tie

5. chocolates
 cake
 soda
 bread
 cookies

6. stamps
 magazines
 newspapers
 book
 notebook

Listening 3

CD 2-21 ► Task 1

People are talking about prices in the U.S. and prices in their own country. Listen and check (✓) the correct answer.

	Cheaper in their country	Cheaper in the U.S.
1. cars	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. rents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. clothes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. air travel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. tuition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. hospitals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



CD 2-21 ► Task 2

Listen again. Are these statements true or false? Check (✓) the correct answer.



	True	False
1. He doesn't own a car in the U.S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. She lived in a nicer neighborhood at home than the one she lives in now.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. He bought a lot of clothes before he moved to the U.S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. She travels by plane a lot in the U.S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Public schools in his country are better than those in the U.S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Hospitals and clinics are expensive in her country.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Conversation Corner

Talking about prices

Pronunciation

Saying large numbers

CD 2-22 ► Task 1

Listen and repeat.

1. a thousand
2. one thousand
3. two hundred and twenty-seven
4. two hundred twenty-seven
5. four thousand-six hundred and eighteen
6. four thousand-six hundred eighteen

Pronunciation Help

The use of *and* is optional in large numbers. Use it between the hundreds and tens, or simply pause. 110 can be one hundred and ten or one hundred ten.

► Task 2

Read the numbers to a partner. Be sure to stress the correct syllables in each number.

Dictation

CD 2-23 ► Task 1

Listen to the conversation. Write the missing words or numbers.

A: Excuse me. I need a new computer. What's the price range for your laptops?

B: Well, our lowest-priced laptop is only _____. Our highest-priced model costs _____.
A: That's _____. Can you tell me about the low-priced one?
B: Well, it's fine for basic use, if you don't play games much.
A: Well, I am a big gamer, but I don't want to spend over a _____ dollars, though.
B: This model has a lot of power, and it only costs _____ dollars. It's very popular.
A: Hmm, let me take a look.

► Task 2

Practice the conversation with a partner. Be sure to stress the correct syllables in the numbers.

Conversation

Work in pairs. Think about how much money you spend each month and what you spend it on. Talk about how much money you spend.

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