

1 Read the radio presenter's interview with Amy.
Put the words in phrases 1–5 in the right order.

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RP: Hello and welcome to *Ask the Expert*. The topic of today's programme is buying presents, and our expert is psychologist Amy Black. Thanks for joining us this afternoon Amy.

Amy: You're welcome. I'm pleased to be here.

RP: Amy, can you tell us presents / at / good / person / sort of / what / is / choosing what sort of person is good at choosing presents?

Amy: Well, it's true that ¹buying / really / presents / some / are / people / good at _____

_____ and some people are really bad, but I don't think it's a question of personality. I think anybody can buy a good present but they have to do some research ... ²presents / are / The best / after / a lot of / chosen / thinking. _____

RP: Do you think women are better than men at buying presents?

Amy: Well, I suppose women like shopping more than men and this means they don't mind spending hours in shopping centres or online. But as I said, ³buy / present / can / a good / anybody _____

RP: Okay, let's read our first question. This was sent by Isabelle, 17 years old, from Bristol. She says 'My mum is going to be 40 ... and ⁴want / special / get / I / to / her / something _____

_____ to cheer her up.' What do you think Amy?

Amy: Well, Isabelle, it's great that you want to get your mum something special. If you want to cheer her up, ⁵idea / good / toiletries / a / are / always _____

_____ but be careful. Your mum doesn't want to feel old. So don't buy face cream for the older woman.



2 Replace the underlined words in these sentences with an underlined word from the text in Exercise 1.

Can we go home now please? We've been in the shopping centre for ages / hours.

1 'Shopping Live' on the shopping channel is not a real TV show / _____. It's more like one long advert.

2 The subject / _____ of the first chapter of the book is the oldest toy shop in the UK.

3 I don't really want to go shopping, but I guess / _____ we have to buy Lola a birthday present.

4 Which is nicer – modern furniture or antique furniture? Well, that's a matter / _____ of taste.

5 We're happy / _____ to say that we've already done all the Christmas shopping and it's only November.