

# Reading and Listening

## ELEMENTARY UNIT 8

1 Where do you usually go shopping: a) at the local shops, b) in a supermarket or c) at a shopping centre. Why?



# buy local

### The problem?

- Big supermarkets and out-of-town shopping centres are growing all around the country.
- People are driving out to these centres in the car every weekend.
- They aren't shopping in their local shops.
- Small shops are closing in the town centres.
- Local people are losing their jobs.
- Town centres are slowly dying.

### The solution? You!

- What can you do?
- Buy your bread from the local baker's every day.
- Go to your local market for fresh food, fruit and vegetables.
- Walk to the shops – it's good for your health and the environment.
- Buy less – shop more often.

You know it makes sense:  
for you, for your town, for the planet!

2 Look at the poster. What is it trying to do?

- 1 describe an out-of-town shopping centre
- 2 ask people to use their local shops
- 3 give people information about their local shops

3 Look at the first half of the poster (The problem?). Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 There are more big supermarkets than in the past.
- 2 People walk to the out-of-town shopping centres.
- 3 People don't go to the small shops near their homes.
- 4 There are more small shops in the centre now.
- 5 Small shops are not doing well.
- 6 Town centres are doing very well.

4 **D 8.1** Listen to Ross. He works for the Buy Local campaign. Is he happy with the campaign at the moment?

5 Listen again and answer the questions.

- 1 When did he start working with the campaign?
- 2 Why did he join the campaign?
- 3 Why did his friend's shop close?
- 4 What's special about the new car park?
- 5 How did they help older customers?
- 6 What is his friend doing now?

# Grammar and Vocabulary

**1** Put the words in the correct order to make sentences and questions. The first word is in the correct place.

a) What / you / recommend / do?

b) Do / you / like / think / I'd / film / this?

c) What / you / kind / like / of / films / do?

d) I / like / don't / you'd / think / it

e) There's / called / a / good / film / *Tommy*

f) I / that / you'd / like / one / think.

**2** Complete the conversation with sentences a)–f) in Exercise 1. Use sentence a) twice.

A: I have a work trip to New York next week.

B: That's great. Have you got any plans?

A: I'm not sure, really.<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

B: There are lots of things to do in New York. How about a play or a musical?

A: A musical sounds good.

B: Right. What else?<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

A: I'm not sure. There's a musical here called *The Frog Princess*.<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

B: Are you interested in children's musicals?

A: Not really.

B: Then,<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

A: <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_?

B: Look –<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. It's by Andrew Lloyd Webber.  
<sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

A: Great. I'll get a ticket.

**3** Complete the conversation with the present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

study get learn wait plan not write

A: Hello, May, how are you?<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you ready for your video lesson?

B: Oh, hello, Pilar. Just one minute – I'm searching for my essay.<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ for me?

A: Yes, but it's OK. I'm having a coffee. What<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_?

B: I'm studying management. Here's my essay – it's on my desktop.

A: Good. And what are you're writing about? Business in Singapore?

B: No, I<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about business in Singapore. I'm writing about business in South America. I'm sending my essay to you now.

A: Why<sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ about business in South America?

B: I<sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to move to Buenos Aires to start a business.

A: Very good. Come and visit me when you get here!

## 4

Choose the best answer, a), b) or c).

1 Wait \_\_\_\_\_ me at the corner.

a) for b) about c) to

2 You should listen \_\_\_\_\_ the teacher.

a) to b) with c) on

3 Did you read the story \_\_\_\_\_ the underwater post office?

a) in b) to c) about

4 I really enjoyed having a chat \_\_\_\_\_ you.

a) on b) for c) with

5 I'm not sure, I need to think \_\_\_\_\_ it.

a) with b) about c) in

**5** Match 1–7 with their meanings a)–g).

- 1 sandals
- 2 fall in love
- 3 scary
- 4 laugh
- 5 recommend
- 6 aliens
- 7 sunglasses

- a) a noise you make when something is **funny**
- b) tell someone that something is good or **useful**
- c) frightening
- d) shoes you wear in hot weather
- e) start to feel romantic about **someone**
- f) something to protect your eyes from **the sun**
- g) creatures from outer space

