

## Shopping in Milan

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| <b>Francesca</b> |  | Kathy, (we) have a lot to do today.   |
|                  |  | (It) is Thursday, and on Thursdays I go to do the grocery shopping.                             |
|                  |  | And then, my friend Ann invites us to (take) have coffee in a bar.                              |
|                  |  | (Do) you like to do the grocery shopping?<br>(lit. Is it pleasing to you...?)                   |
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| <b>Caterina</b>  |  | Yes, I like to do the grocery shopping at the supermarket.                                      |
|                  |  | But, I like more to go to buy clothes.<br>(lit. It is pleasing to me more...)                   |
|                  |  | (I) need a new dress and also (I) would like to buy something for my sister in America.         |
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| <b>Francesca</b> |  | Very well.<br>Let's go shopping (for clothes)!  |
|                  |  | There are many nice shops in Milan.   |
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| <b>Francesca</b> |  | <i>(After awhile...<br/>Frances and Kathy enter a dress shop and meet the salesgirl Laura.)</i> |
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| <b>Laura</b><br><i>(a Caterina):</i> |  | Good day.<br>May (I) help you?<br>(polite greeting to a customer)   |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | (I) am look(ing) for an evening dress,<br>cute, but elegant.  |
|                                      |  | I like dancing very much.<br>(lit. Dancing to me is pleasing...)<br>(Do) you all have black dresses?<br>(plural (voi) form of "you" used to address salespeople politely) |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | Certainly.<br>What size (do) you take?<br>(polite question)   |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | (I) take (the) size 46 (Italian).   |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | This dress is in style.   |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | Frances, (do) you like (it)?<br>(lit. Is it pleasing to you...?)  |
| <b>Francesca</b>                     |  | Yes, but also this (dress)<br>is nice. Try them both on.  |
| <b>Caterina</b><br><i>(a Laura):</i> |  | (Do) you all have larger sizes?<br>(plural (voi) form of "you" used to address salespeople politely)  |
|                                      |  | My sister takes (the) size 48 (Italian).  |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | Yes, this, or maybe that dress.   |
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| Francesca              |  | Kathy, (do) you like this skirt for your sister?<br>(lit. Is this skirt pleasing to you...?)  |
| Caterina               |  | (It) is nice, but my sister doesn't like the color brown.<br>(lit. To my sister, the color brown is not pleasing...)                |
| Francesca              |  | And that one (skirt)?   |
| Caterina               |  | Oh, that (skirt) is perfect. She likes red more than brown.<br>(lit. To her, red is more pleasing than brown.)                      |
|                        |  | I'll take it!   |
| Caterina<br>(a Laura): |  | Where can (I) find the fitting room?  |
| Laura                  |  | Here it is.   |
| Francesca              |  | (After a few minutes...)  |
| Caterina               |  | Now, Frances. I put on (myself) the dress.<br>What (do you) think?<br>(Does it) look good on me?<br>(lit. Does it stay well on me?) |
| Francesca              |  | (It) looks wonderful on you!<br>But how (about) the other?  |

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| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | The other did not fit me well.<br>(idiomatic expression)<br>(It) is too tight.            |
| <b>Laura</b><br><i>(a Caterina):</i> |  | (Do) (you) want anything else?  |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | No, I like these (clothes).<br>(lit. These clothes are pleasing to me.)                   |
|                                      |  | How much is (costs) this dress and this skirt?  |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | (They are) 52 euros for the dress and 23 euros for the skirt.                             |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | That's not too bad.   |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | Here is the cashier's counter.<br>How (do) (you) want to pay?                             |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | Can (I) pay with a check?   |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | I'm sorry.<br>(We) don't accept checks.<br>(We) accept (a) credit card or (a) debit card. |
| <b>Caterina</b>                      |  | Very well. (I will) pay in cash.<br>Can you give me the receipt, please?                  |
| <b>Laura</b>                         |  | But, certainly! Thank you very much!  |

