



VOCABULARY

describing products

- 1 A Work in pairs and discuss the questions.
- 1 When you are thinking about buying something, where do you get information about it?
- 2 Look quickly at the tasks in Ex 1B and 2. Where does the different information come from?
- 3 How do you ever decide on a bike? What do you know about them?

- 2 Read the message exchange. What useful information does Sam tell Lynn?

Sam Lynn

Hi Sam, I'm shopping for an e-bike and you're a bit of an expert. What type should I get? I don't mind paying for something good if it's really worth it. ...

Lynn Big question. There are mountain bikes, commuter bikes, conversion bikes. ... What do you want to use it for?

Basically for getting to school/work, so not for doing shopping. Maybe a bit of exercise, but nothing major. ...

OK, so a commuter bike would probably be best for you.

One question, what if I want to ride in the forest? I know how hilly it is here. Maybe I should get a mountain bike, but I don't want anything too heavy. ...

Well, there are bikes that are designed for carrying a laptop to work and they're often quite heavy.

OK, but can I ride a commuter bike in the forest?

Depends. Some models can, like the Dorrin and the Trek Rider. I recommend one of those, actually.

What's the difference between those two?

Good question. Why don't you have a look at some online reviews?

How to ...

summarise information from different sources

- 4A **3.01** Listen to Lynn and her friend discuss the e-bike. Which one does Lynn decide to buy? Why?

- B Work in pairs. Complete each sentence with one word.
- 1 From ... he says, it depends on what you want to use it for.
- 2 The only ... is that a mountain bike is too good for carrying things like shopping.
- 3 According to ... Sam, it's quite heavy.
- 4 Lynn ... short, it's a better bike.
- 5 So it's ... whether you want to go down for more range and a better one.
- 6 Yes, in the ... it's a question of which you want to use.
- 7 All ... all, reviewers of both models seem happy with these bikes.
- 8 It all comes ... to the price.
- 9 Well, just ... something's not cheap, it doesn't mean it's not good.
- 10 Yes, taking ... into account, I think the Trek Rider is good enough for me.

- 4B **3.02** Listen and check your ideas.

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Review of the Dorrin

My review of the Dorrin bike from two weeks ago and the manufacturer's response. The Dorrin is a very special bike. It's quiet and the battery range of 50 km is impressive. It's also very stable. It's 16 kg it's a bit heavy, but it's not hard to ride. It's also the market for a decent electric bike for commuting and making the occasional weekend ride in the hills, but not anything else. The Dorrin is a really excellent choice. It's a great all-rounder, very practical, and for £1,000 it's really value for money.

Review of the Wells Rider

Excellent value, good enough for me! I purchased the Wells Rider two weeks ago and the manufacturer's response. The Wells Rider is a very special bike. It's quiet and the battery range of 50 km is impressive. It's also very stable. It's 16 kg it's a bit heavy, but it's not hard to ride. It's also the market for a decent electric bike for commuting and making the occasional weekend ride in the hills, but not anything else. The Wells Rider is a really excellent choice. It's a great all-rounder, very practical, and for £1,000 it's really value for money.

Match the adjectives in bold in the reviews with the meanings 1-6.

- 1 good enough for the purpose (2 world) 2 very good (2 world) 3 having the right qualities for a particular person or situation 4 not too heavy for (and) when we talk about price 5 strong, not likely to break easily 6 not falling down easily

Look at the phrases (a-d) from the reviews. Number them in order from most to least positive.

- a not a bad buy b excellent value c nothing special d an excellent choice 1

Work in pairs. Talk about things you bought recently. Use the words and phrases from Ex 3A and 3B.

PRONUNCIATION

- 6A Introduction to summarising phrases (Work in pairs. Look at the phrases in Ex 4B and the ones that are followed by commas.)

- 6B 3.07 Listen to the phrases with commas from Exercise 4B. Does the information go up or down at the end of the phrase?

- 6C 3.07 Listen again and say the phrase at the same time as the speaker. Pay attention to intonation.

- 7A Think of something that you've recently bought or have read or heard about. Prepare to talk about it using at least four of the phrases in Ex 5A.

- 7B Work with a different partner from Ex 7A and tell them about the item. Pay attention to the intonation of the summarising phrases.

SPEAKING

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Homework

Lesson 5C

HOW TO ...

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PRONUNCIATION | information in summarising phrases

describing products

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