

PREPARATORY STUDY CENTER
General Foundation Program – GE3

Learning Outcome(s)	1,2, 3, 4
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Introduction and Conceptual Development Activity Vocabulary Material

Q1. Complete the text with words from the box.

consumers	bargain	assume	purchased	bumped
complex	altered	retail	addicted	commercial

Shopping in Oman has undergone tremendous changes in recent years. In the past, most people 1. _____ most of the things they needed from local markets called souqs. These souqs were very popular and crowded, especially during festive seasons like Eid. People and animals often 2. _____ into each other in the narrow alleys of the souqs. 3. _____ could buy goods directly from farmers and craftsmen, so they 4. _____ that they would get a good 5. _____ while shopping at these places.

Big 6. _____ groups like Carrefour and Lulu started their operations in Oman at the beginning of the 21st century. They launched 7. _____ shops in major cities and towns across the country. Their arrival 8. _____ people's shopping behavior completely. These large companies developed very 9. _____ procurement and supply systems that small local traders could not match. They also provide online shopping facilities. As a result, many people in big cities have become 10. _____ to shopping and now spend a large portion of their income at these hypermarkets