

**Read the following article. LS: 3.1.2**

Do you ever wonder if the things you buy are worth your money? Shopping is fun, no doubt but we must be realistic. We need to think that we are smart consumers. It is very important to spend wisely and within our budget.

You could have bought something at a huge discount without even thinking beforehand if you really needed it. It is believed that most of us have gone through such a situation. However, if you want to be a smart consumer, buy only items that are necessary. You do not save if you buy too much or buy things that are unnecessary. Perhaps, it would be wise to make a list of items you plan to buy in advance before you go shopping. This will help you get the things you truly need.

Being a smart consumer is about spending your money wisely. When you buy from online platforms, you must be sure that the sellers are verified and have good track records. Read the reviews by customers and you will get an idea on the seller's reputation.

You should also find out about the warranty. You must know what to do in case you encounter problems with the item you have just purchased. It is a good habit to keep the sales receipts as they are required when there are problems with a purchase.

**A. Complete the table. Use a word from the text. LS: 3.1.3**

Meaning	Word
an estimated expenditure	_____
a document stating that defective parts will be replaced free of charge within a certain time	_____

**B. Complete the sentences with words from the text. LS: 3.1.2**

- 1 You should make a \_\_\_\_\_ you intend to buy before you go shopping.
- 2 If you know how to spend wisely, then you are a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 You can read \_\_\_\_\_ to find out a little more about online sellers.