50 Shopping and consumer goods

Look at the following pairs of sentences. In some cases, the words in **bold** have been used correctly. In other cases, they have been put into the wrong sentence. Decide which are *correct* and which are *wrong*. There is an example at the beginning (0).

0 Some shops offer their customers **debit** if they don't have enough cash. Most people prefer to pay their bills by direct **credit**.

These are both wrong. Shops offer their customers credit, and people pay their bills by direct debit.

1 How much did you **pay** for your new computer.
I don't **spend** much on clothes.

2 In some shops, it's possible to ask for a **bargain**.
The assistant told me the television cost £250. It was such a **discount**!

3 You should check your **change** carefully before you leave the shop.
If you discover that something you have bought is broken, the shop should offer you **an exchange**.

4 I try to avoid shopping on Saturdays, as the streets are full of **shoppers**.
Some shops offer incentives to encourage **customers** to use them.

5 I shop in supermarkets where the **price** of food is low.
Our local florist went out of business because his **costs** were too high.

6 A lot of people go shopping during the **reductions**, when prices are lower.
Our local department store is offering **sales** on all items over £5.

7 There is a street market near our house where there are hundreds of **boutiques** selling cheap food.
I buy my clothes from the very fashionable **stalls** in our local shopping centre.

8 Shops which have a wide range of **goods** attract more customers.
After you've chosen your **purchases**, take them to the cashier to pay.

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[redacted] When you pay, make sure you get a **bill.**
The mail order company sent me a **receipt, which I had to pay** within two weeks.

[redacted] The butcher's near my house is **on sale.**
A large range of home computers is **for sale** at the electronics shop on the High Street.

[redacted] The **serve** in our chemist's is terrible.
I had to wait for over ten minutes at the newsagent's before anyone offered to **service** me.

[redacted] Although it's **priced** at £10, you can probably get a 10% discount if you ask.
I think £6 for a hamburger is a bit **pricey**.

[redacted] I buy things in bulk, as it's more **economic**.
Because of **economical** *problems, our local off-licence was forced to* close.

[redacted] If the shop doesn't have what you want, they can **order** it for you.
Shopkeepers across the country are going to **demand** more police protection from thieves.

[redacted] As prices **come down**, people are no longer able to afford to go shopping.
The customers were delighted when prices started to **go up**.

[redacted] I couldn't buy more floppy disks as the shop was out of **provide.**
We asked if the garage could **stock** us with after-sales service.

[redacted] We needed food for the weekend, so I offered to **do the shopping.**
We were bored, so decided **to go shopping**.

[redacted] I **brought** a new computer at the weekend.
I then **bought** it home and set it up.

Don't forget to use your dictionary to look up the meanings of any words you don't know.

See also: Test 11 Location
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