

Title	Buying online; is it a gamble?	Level: lower
Text:	<p>Rina talked this morning about a pair of shoes she bought on the internet. Unfortunately, they were the wrong size and didn't look like the image in the advert.</p> <p>One of the problems with shopping online is that you can't try on things before you buy them.</p> <p>I guess online sellers have to deal with many returns from dissatisfied customers.</p> <p>I bought two shirts from a shop after the assistant measured me, but they were the wrong size and didn't fit. One day soon, I'll take back those two shirts!</p>	
Question for discussion:	<p>Do you have anything at home now that you've been meaning to take back to a shop or send back to an online seller?</p> <p>If you bought something online or in a shop, but it wasn't what you wanted, would you take it back and ask for a refund or just keep it?</p>	
Words and usage:	<p>1, Try on 'Try' means to do something for the first time, and 'on' is a preposition for putting clothes or accessories <b>on</b> your body.</p> <p>2, Take back, or send back 'Back' is an adverb which means to return to the original or last place. 'Take back' is best used for products bought in a shop, 'send back' where a delivery service is used, or 'go back' for people who return to a former place such a hometown, or work after a holiday.</p>	
Resources:	<p><a href="http://www.oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com">Oxford Dictionaries. http://www.oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com</a></p> <p><a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org">The British Council website. https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org</a></p>	
Listening link:	<p><a href="#">Buying online: is it a gamble? - audio</a></p> 	
Practice idea:	<p>Write about the advantages of online shopping versus going to a real shop.</p>	
Quiz Me! Conversation card:	<p>Card number A9 below is from pack AGS2, available at <a href="http://englishbooks.jp">englishbooks.jp</a></p>	

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