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## COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS

- Consulting Someone about What to Buy as a Souvenir
- Asking Someone Their Preference for Food, Drink, etc.
- Stating or Asking for an Opinion about Two or More Items in Comparison with One Another

- Stating the Size or Characteristics of an Item You Wish to Buy
- Asking a Clerk to Gift-wrap an Item
- Indicating Your Preferred Method of Payment
- Talking about Your Family, Their Interests, and the Kinds of Gifts that Make Them Happy

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- Talking about Problems and Explaining Solutions
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