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www.bestbuy.com

An EFL lesson from the web site

Low-intermediate

2-3 class periods

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It's time to go shopping again, this time at U.S.-based Best Buy, one of the best chain stores in the world in terms of value for money. Few other stores in the world offer 36" stereo televisions, for example, for \$7500 (D. 2,750).

What should I do?

1. Go to www.bestbuy.com and look over the home page. Under "DEPARTMENTS," which types of products below do you think you can find at Best Buy? Check the boxes with a ☐.

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| ☐ baby clothes | ☐ curtains and carpets | ☐ wireless phones |
| ☐ movies on DVD | ☐ oven ranges | ☐ software |
| ☐ pillows | ☐ books | ☐ furniture |
| ☐ picture frames | ☐ carpets | ☐ sound cards |
| ☐ men's shoes | ☐ stereo systems | ☐ pots and pans |
| ☐ sheets and blankets | ☐ bedsheets | ☐ luggage |
| ☐ motor oil | ☐ computers | ☐ CD albums |

2. You live in one of the following locations (**your teacher will circle it below**)

Costa Mesa, California (CA)	Lakewood, Colorado (CO)	West Palm Beach Florida (FL)	Duluth Georgia (GA)
Stone Mountain Georgia (GA)	Cambridge Massachusetts (MA)	Framingham Massachusetts (MA)	Madison Heights Michigan (MI)
Mt. Laurel New Jersey (NJ)	Cincinnati Ohio (OH)	Springdale Ohio (OH)	Mentor Ohio (OH)
Webster Texas (TX)	Mesquite Texas (TX)	El Paso Texas (TX)	Appleton Wisconsin (WI)
Boca Raton Florida (FL)	Eau Claire Wisconsin (WI)	Wauwatosa Wisconsin (WI)	Atlantic City New Jersey (NJ)

To find the address of this location, click on STORE LOCATOR on the home page. Then type in the CITY and STATE. For example,

Or, Search by Address

Enter at least a city, ZIP or state to find the 4 stores nearest you.

Street Address

City

State

ZIP/Postal Code

Now click on **FIND STORES** and copy the address below, including telephone number.

After you have found and written down the address, look at the map and copy the directions here (for example, the directions for the Mission Viejo store in Fullerton, California read: "I-5 west to Oso Parkway. West to Cabot Road. North to El Paseo.")

Look at the map and study the directions until you understand them. Ask your teacher for help if you don't.

DIRECTIONS:

3. Can a customer order products from Best Buy online? Y/N

4. Best Buy currently has _____ stores in _____ states.
5. Job information at Best Buy can be found under which link? _____
6. Now click on Careers; then open the dialogue box that says CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS.

Which link about job opportunities is suitable for Computer Information Processing students? _____

7. Press GO next to the job category that is closest to what you plan to study at HCT. Name the position that is *closest* to qualifications and skills that you will have when you graduate from HCT.

Name of position:

What experience is required?

8. Now, let's go shopping. You're going to write down and add up the prices for the following basket of items. (For computer accessories, choose Peripherals).

A) Any computer modem \$ _____

B) Any scanner \$ _____

C) Any notebook computer \$ _____

RAM _____

Hard Drive _____

D) Any Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) \$ _____

E) Any 35" or 36" television \$ _____

Is it stereo? Y/N

With Noise Reduction? Y/N

TOTAL \$ _____

9. Return to the home page and look under **DEPARTMENTS**. Find the appropriate link for the type of product listed. In some cases you will have to go to a second link or *sometimes* a third link to find the quotation from the product. One answer has been done for you.

Product or product quote	Link where you can find it
(a) Dolby digital receivers	<u>Home audio & video</u> <u>fi audio components</u> <u>fi Receivers</u>
(b) PDAs (personal digital assistants)	
(c) Projection TVs	
(d) A leather case for a PDA	
(e) DVD version of <i>Mission Impossible 2</i>	
(f) Elementary (2 nd Grade) school Reading software	
(g) Personal computers	
(h) Keyboards	
(i) Game Boy	
(k) Kodak digital camera	

End of lesson. Answers on pp. 5 and 6.

Answer key

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|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
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2.

Costa Mesa Metro Pointe Shopping Center, 901F South Coast Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 714-434-0132	Southwest Bellevue Shores, 5396 S Wadsworth Blvd Lakewood, CO 303-978-0780	West Palm Beach, 1880 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd West Palm Beach, FL 561-688-1944	Gwinnett 1875 Pleasant Hill Rd, Duluth, GA 770-381-9494
Stone Mountain, 1450 East Park Place Stone Mountain, GA 770-469-9848	Cambridge 100 Cambridgeside Place Cambridge, MA 617-577-8877	Framingham One Worcester Road Framingham, MA 508-872-2223	Oakland Mall 32300 John R. Road Madison Heights, MI 248-583-7310
Mt. Laurel 1420 Nixon Drive Mt. Laurel, NJ 856-608-1600	Eastgate Pavillion 650 Eastgate South Cincinnati, OH 513-753-7062	865 E. Kemper Road Springdale, OH 513-671-4305	Mentor 7830 Plaza Blvd Mentor, OH 216-974-1151
Sugarland Store 16980 SW Freeway Sugarland, TX 281-240-1140	Mesquite 1330 Town East Blvd Ste 200 Mesquite, TX 972-270-9793	El Paso 9521 Viscount Blvd El Paso, TX 915-591-4491	Appleton 4661 Associated court Appleton, WI 920-738-7644
Boca Raton Shawdowood Square 20540 State Road 7 Boca Raton, FL 561-477-5367	Eau Claire 4090 Commonwealth Ave., Eau Claire, WI 715-833-0666	Wauwatosa 2855 Mayfair Wauwatosa, WI 414-771-8881	Mays Landing Hamilton Mall 100 Consumer Square Mays Landing, NJ 609-485-0500

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4. 300/36

5. Careers6. IS (Information Services)

7. Variable.

8. Variable answers.

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(b) PDAs (personal digital assistants)	Computers & peripherals fi Handhelds fi PDAs
(c) Projection TVs	Home audio & video fi Televisions fi Projection TVs
(d) A leather case for a PDA	Computers & peripherals fi Accessories fi PDA cases
(e) DVD version of <i>Mission Impossible 2</i>	Movies fi Action & Adventure
(f) Elementary (2 nd Grade) school Reading software	Software fi Education fi Grade specific
(g) Personal computers	Computers & peripherals fi Desktops
(h) Keyboards	Computers & peripherals fi Mice & Keyboards
(i) Game Boy	Video Games fi Game Boy
(k) Kodak digital camera	Photo & Imaging fi Digital cameras

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