



INGLÉS

Read the text and then answer the questions:

When you want to do some shopping in England, you are at the mercy of the shop-assistants, now called sales ladies or sales gentlemen. Shopping here is different from shopping elsewhere.

1.- When you enter the shop, the assistants will for sure be chatting merrily with one another. You must wait until they turn their attention to you, and that may take some time. Under no circumstances are you to interrupt their conversation. You will not speak until you are spoken to.

2.- If there are other people waiting in the shop, you wait for your turn. If the death penalty is ever to be restored in Britain, it will not be for murder but for queue-jumping, the most horrible of all crimes.

3.- Few British people go shopping because they need something or because they have money and want to spend it. Shopping is a social occasion: an opportunity for a chat, an opportunity to display your charm. When your turn comes, the butcher's full attention will be yours. No one exists but you.

4.- On entering or leaving the shop you do not greet the shopkeeper. Your first words should be: "Have you got..." or "May I have...". Your last ones: "Thank you". In between, as explained, you may discuss any subject from the shopkeeper's grandchildren to Arsenal's chances against Liverpool, but never say "Goodbye" or "Hello".

QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions. Do not copy literally from the text:

- 1) Why is queue-jumping a "horrible crime"? (1 punto)
- 2) What are you to do on entering a shop? (1 punto)
- 3) What are the reasons most people have for going shopping in Britain? (1 punto)
- 4) Put the following sentences in reported speech:
 - a) "Hello", said the woman, "I want a pound of tomatoes, but I don't want them green".
 - b) The butcher said: "Excuse me, madam, but it's not your turn!" (1'5 puntos)
- 5) Find a synonym in the text for each of the following words or expressions:
certainly / a while / conversation / topic / opportunities (1'5 puntos)
- 6) Imagine you were given 100.000 ptas. to spend freely in one of those big stores which have many shops of all kinds, restaurants, cinemas, etc. How would you spend a whole day there? Write an essay about it. (120-130 words) (4 puntos)