LESSON 9. Shopping around

Communicative area: conversation (in a shop)
Active vocabulary: size

1. Discuss the questions below as a class.

1. What's the problem in the picture? 2. What size shoes / boots do you take? 3. What do these letters stand for? Order them from the smallest to the largest size? 4. What size clothes do you take? 5. What can you do if you don't know what size you need?

M XL S XS L XXL

2. a) Nick's family are shopping. Read the conversation below. Who do you think says each line?

– Wow! What a dress! I've been looking for it for years!

– Can I help you?

– Yes, I'd like to try this dress on, please.

– Sure. The changing room is over there.

– So, what do you think of it, Mum? Don't you think it's nice?

– Well, Rosie, it is. But I think you need a bigger size. It looks a bit too tight.

– Have you got this dress in a bigger size? M, probably.

– Yes, here you are.

– OK. Is this one better? What do you think, Nickie? Does it look good?

– Don't ask me. I'm not really good at choosing clothes.

– Oh, what a bore you are!

– It's not bad. But I don't like the colour very much. You look a bit pale in it. Try this green one on.

– Wow! You look like Fiona from Shreck!

– Thank you.

– That's lovely! It looks really good on you. I think we'll buy it. How much is it?

– 19.99 £

– Oh, well. It's cheap enough.

– Brilliant! Now, let's go and buy something for me.

💿 **b) Listen to the conversation and check.**

3. a) Work in small groups. Get ready to role-play your conversation. Follow the steps below.

Step 1

Decide what shop you are in and what you are going to buy.

Decide who the characters are.

Step 2

Work together to make up the conversation.

Take notes on what your character is going to say.

Step 3

Read the conversation out line by line to check grammar.

Make sure you use new vocabulary and grammar in your conversation.

Add more lines or cross something out if it makes your conversation better.

Step 4

Practise role-playing your conversation.

b) Role-play your conversation in front of the class.