

READING

- A In pairs or groups, discuss the meaning of each of the public notices below. Where could you see such a notice? Who do you think is supposed to read it? For example, which one do you think is for guests in a restaurant?

WE BELIEVE OUR PRICES TO BE UNBEATABLE. IF YOU CAN FIND THE SAME GOODS AT A LOWER PRICE ANYWHERE ELSE, WE UNDERTAKE TO MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE.

A

**DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED.
CHECK CONTENTS BEFORE
SIGNING FOR RECEIPT.**

B

Once you have signed, you will have fourteen days in which to cancel this contract. You can do this only by sending a WRITTEN notice of this intention to the address below.

C

PLEASE NOTE THAT SECURITY CAMERAS OPERATE IN THIS STORE.

ALL SHOPLIFTERS WILL BE PROSECUTED.

D

THESE SPACES ARE RESERVED. UNAUTHORISED VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED AWAY. RECOVERY FEE MINIMUM OF £40 PER DAY.

E

INTEREST-FREE CREDIT AVAILABLE ON ALL FULL-PRICED MERCHANDISE. ASK OUR STAFF FOR DETAILS.

F

REFUNDS IN EXCESS OF £15 CANNOT BE MADE WITHOUT PROOF OF PURCHASE BY PROPER RECEIPTS.

G

**PLEASE WAIT TO BE SEATED.
A WAITER WILL CONDUCT YOU TO YOUR TABLE.**

H

THIS GARMENT WILL FADE WITH REPEATED WASHING. TO MAINTAIN OPTIMAL APPEARANCE, TURN INSIDE OUT AND WASH SEPARATELY. DO NOT RUB ISOLATED STAINS.

I

SMOKING KILLS. EVERY YEAR MILLIONS DIE FROM SMOKING-RELATED ILLNESSES.

J

FOR SECURITY REASONS, ANY LUGGAGE OR OTHER PARCELS LEFT UNATTENDED WILL BE REMOVED AND MAY BE DESTROYED.

K

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FIND THE GOODS YOU ARE SEEKING, PLEASE REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF OUR SALES STAFF.

L

- B Now match the letter (A-L) that identifies each notice with the questions (0-11). Question 0 is an example.

Which of the notices:

would you see in a restaurant?

0 H

advises you what to do if you need help?

1

warns you not to park in the wrong place?

2

guarantees good value?

3

would you find only on an article of clothing?

4

warns people about a health risk?

5

warns you that you are being watched?

6

says what you need to get your money back?

7

advertises a way to borrow money?

8

could be a warning for air or rail travellers?

9

could you see on a parcel being delivered?

10

informs you of your right to change your mind?

11

VOCABULARY

Phrasal verbs

- A What is the phrasal verb in each example (a-e)? Explain its meaning to your partners.

- Where can I try these jeans on?
- Let's go into the shop and look around.
- Take this agreement and look it over for me.
- They won't take the goods back unless you have a receipt.
- Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

- B Use the same phrasal verbs above to complete these sentences.

- Before you buy anything, you should always _____ it _____ carefully.
- I don't want to buy anything. I just want to _____.
- This sale is the chance of a lifetime. Don't _____ it.
- Aren't you going to _____ the dress _____ before you buy it?
- I'm sorry, sir, but you've already worn these shoes. That's why we can't _____ them _____.