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# Question and Answer of the Week 你问我答 Concession, sale, discount, off, deduction, rebate



六个和"降价"有关的词

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# **Jiaying**

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#### Question

Hi, I know that these words are all related to a reduction in price: 'concession', 'sale', 'discount', 'off', 'deduction' and 'rebate'. But do you use them in the same way? Can they all be used in the context of shopping? Thanks.

## **Jiaying**

这位网友想知道单词 "concession、sale、discount、off、deduction"和 "rebate" 之间的区别。这六个词都和 "降价"有关,但意思和用法不同,所以很容易被混淆。

首先,我们来看看名词 "concession"。 "Concession"常用来表示"买旅行票或活动门票时的优惠",用来谈论特定人群可以享受低于普通票的价格,比如老年人、学生。注意,"concession"通常不表示临时的优惠。

# **Examples**

Students can get a concession on cinema tickets.

(学生可以享受电影票的优惠价。)

Over-60s get travel concessions if they have a travel pass.

(持有交通通票的 60 岁以上人群可享受旅行优惠。)

#### **Jiaying**

名词 "sale"可以用来描述 "商品在一段时间内降价出售,促销"。我们可以用搭配 "on sale"来表示个别商品"正在降价出售"。听两个例句。

### **Examples**

There's a huge sale on at the department store this weekend.

(这家百货公司本周末大减价。)

The TV we want is on sale at the moment. Shall we buy it?

(我们想要的那台电视机正在降价出售。我们要买吗?)

#### **Jiaying**

名词 "sale"也可以指 "销售,生意"。比如,刚刚提到的搭配 "on sale"也可以表示某件商品"有售,上市";搭配 "for sale"的意思是"待售,供出售"。在这两个搭配中, "sale"并不是指"减价"。听三个例句。

### **Examples**

I've already made five sales today. It's my first day working at the shoe shop! (我今天已经做了五单生意。这是我在鞋店工作的第一天!)

The new album just went on sale. I want to buy it!

(这张新专辑刚刚上架。我想买这张专辑!)

Is your car for sale? How much do you want for it?

(你这辆车卖不卖?你想卖多少钱?)

### **Jiaying**

名词"discount"的意思是"折扣",可以谈论给商品打折,也可以谈论从账单中扣除相应的金额。比如,"give someone a discount"或"offer someone a discount"可以表示"给某人打折"。

"Discount"的动词是"discount",拼写不变,意思是"打折,减价"。比如:

"discounted goods (折扣商品)"。

# **Examples**

This card will give you a discount of 5% on your next purchase.

(下次购买商品时,用此卡可享受95折。)

£1.70 has been discounted from your bill thanks to the rewards scheme.

(因为您尊享奖赏计划, 所以已经给您的账单立减 1.7 镑。)

#### **Jiaying**

接下来讲一讲"off"。"Off"也可以用来谈论和"打折,折扣"有关的话题,但"off"是副词,而且没有"discount"那么正式。"Off"在金额后,表示"减价····钱"。比如,"£5 off"的意思是"比原价低 5 镑"。我们通常在副词"off"前加上百分比,表示"打几折"。

但要注意的是, "30% off"是"原价减去三成",也就是百分之三十,相当于中文里的"打七折",以此类推, "20% off"则是"打八折"。

### **Examples**

The jumper has £7 off! It's a bargain.

(这件套头毛衣减价7英镑。真便官。)

I'll give you 15% off the computer if you buy it today.

(如果你今天买这台电脑的话,我就给你打八五折。)

#### **Jiaying**

接下来,看看"deduction",它常指"账单中扣除的金额"。在表达这个含义的时候,"deduction"和"discount"的意思相近,但名词"discount"指"总花费的折扣",而"deduction"则常指"扣除账单中个别项目或事物的花费"。"Deduction"也可以用来谈论从服务或收入中扣除的金额。名词"deduction"的动词是"deduct(扣除,减去)"。我们来听三个例句。

#### **Examples**

The carrots you had ordered were out of stock. So, the cost was deducted from your bill.

(您购买的胡萝卜缺货, 所以付款账单中已扣除其费用。)

There was a deduction of £17 from the bill due to the late arrival of the product. (由于产品到货较晚,17 英镑已从账单中扣除。)

25% is deducted from your salary for tax.

(你的工资中已扣除 25%的税款。)

#### **Jiaying**

最后,"rebate"一词的意思是"因超额付款而返还的部分款项",常用来谈论账单和税款。来听两个例句。

# **Examples**

Wang Tian received a tax rebate of £63 at the end of the financial year.

(王天在财政年末收到了63镑的退税。)

You overpaid on your gas bill, so we're sending you a rebate.

(您多付了燃气费, 所以我们会给您退钱。)

### **Jiaying**

概括地说,名词 "concession" 多指 "给特定人群提供的优惠"。名词 "sale" 指 "销售",但在谈论和"促销"有关的话题时,可以指"减价"。比如,搭配"on sale"既有"有售"也有"正在降价出售"的意思。"Discount"作名词时的意思是"折扣",作动词时读作"discount",表示"打折"。副词"off"在百分比或金额后用来说明打几折或降价多少;名词"deduction"多指"从账单中扣除的费用";名词 "rebate"用来表示"超额付款后返还的款项"。

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