Title : Business correspondence and marketing

Subject Area: Economics

Topic Focus: Business correspondence/Advertising/ marketing/contracts

Level: B1 3LES

Time: 4/5 hours

Learning Aims and outcomes:

- to be able to communicate using a business language
- to understand the role of the buyer and the seller
- to be aware of the power of marketing
- think critically about purchases
- debate and write about

Cognitive skills:

- Lots (identifying, defining, classifying, remembering)
- Hots (reasoning, creating)

Language skills:

BICS (negotiating) CALP (making a presentation) Reading (interpreting info, scanning for specific info, researching) Listening comprehension (listening to understand specific information) Writing (taking notes, writing an an email, creative writing) Speaking (discussing, agreeing or disagreeing, reporting)

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BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE AND MARKETING

1. Form four groups and look at the picture(s).









Write your answer on a paper sheet:

Do you like these things?

Where would you buy them?

Who would you contact to purchase them and/or to get more information?

What would you ask? (e.g. price, size,)

Remember: These "special" questions are called INQUIRY ... And your answer is called REPLY!

Remember: if you buy – or purchase – something you are a B____, or a CUSTOMER.

2. Now exchange your answers with another group and answer the following questions:

Remember: if you sell something you are a S____, or a SUPPLIER.

The other group's sheet contains an inquiry for one or more of the objects represented in the pictures.

What characteristics are indicated?

Let's recollect some ideas

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Which words do you already know?

For any help look at the enclosed word list.

3. Complete the text with the words in the box

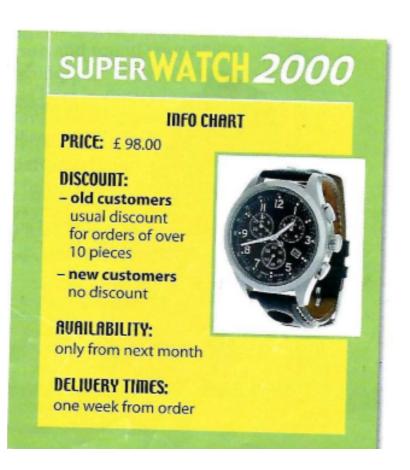
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Tom wants to	new summ	er shoes for his	shoe shop. So he	looks fo	r a good
and he decides to	Jerry, who	produces and _	wonderful	and colo	ured shoes and
sandals. He calls him by to have some information, but Jerry is out of office, so Tom sends					
him an to	ask for a catalog	gue.			
When Jerry comes back to his office, he reads Tom's and replies sending him his					
together with the new catalogue with the new collection. In the offer he indicates the sale					
; he offers	s a special 20% _	if	Tom places a min	imum	of 100
pairs of shoes. The		can be made wi	thin 10 days.		
Tom is really satisfied when he reads Jerry's proposal and sends his order.					

Remember: the agreement stipulated between the buyer and the seller is called C _____

4. Watch this video about commercial correspondence:

http://multidict.net/wordlink/?navsize=1&sl=en&url=http://multidict.net/clilstore/page.php? id=1859

5. Now it's your turn!



Antonia Baldin calls Ben Davis to enquire about a watch. Read the instructions and act out the dialogue.

Antonia Baldin: ask for the price of SuperWatch 2000. You want to know whether you can have your usual 15% discount. You would like to send an order of 20b pieces immediately, so ask whether the product is available and when it can be delivered. Accept the delivery date. You are going to send the order by e-mail. Remember that the goods have to be shipped by courier as usual. **Ben Davis:** Look at the info chart about SuperWatch 2000 and answer the customer's enquiries. Confirm the requested shipping way.

DEVELOP YOUR COMPETENCES!

Read the situation.



Weight: 12 lbs Volume: (folded): 1 cubic foot Size 26" h x 6" w x 12" l Backpack included For information and orders please contact: orderservice@mybestbike.com

Delivery times and costs

Your bicycles will be delivered within about 7 working days. We charge \$5.00 for shipping costs for every order. <u>Payment methods</u>: Bank transfer on order to our bank account. Details specified in our e-mail confirmation of your order.

Now write an e-mail to reply to the offer above.

On 5th July Tina Becket from FS Sport (<u>tbecket@fssport.com</u>) contacts MY BEST BIKE about their online offer for the backpack bicycle. She informs them that, as they found the article interesting, they are thinking of sending a large order for 30 items. Therefore, they would like to know if tey are willing to give a discount. Besides, she asks them if she can receive a sample of the bicycle to examine. She hopes they can meet her requests.

From:	
То:	
Date:	
Subject:	_

MARKETING

1. Form four groups and look at the picture(s)









Write your answer on a paper sheet:

What can you see on the pictures? Do you like these things?

What attracts you? Do you recognize the products? Why?

2. Look at the word cloud



What are the most important words? Mark them in the cloud Express your opinion.....what is marketing? What is its purpose?

For help look at the enclosed word list.

4. Watch this video about

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1xz5Kv-7VY

As you have seen, four main factors are involved in marketing a product: match each one with its most important characteristics:

Category	Main features
Place	Its most important characteristics are type, design, quality, size, packaging and name. The brand is the unique name of a product, which makes it different from other products. Brand products are usually more expensive than unbranded ones.
Product	It is determined taking in consideration three main elements: the costs of manufacturing and selling the product, the prices charged by the competitors for similar products and market research to find out what the potential buyers are prepared to buy.
Promotion	It gives the customer information about the product. There are different methods of promoting products, such as advertising (on magazines, TV, etc), sales promotion (discounts, special offers,) sponsorship, trade fairs
Price	Companies must carefully choose the right channel of distribution to make sure that the products are in the right place, at the right time to be bought by customers.

ADVERTISING

Advertising is a form of promotion that companies use to persuade people to buy their goods or services.

The most popular advertising media are:

TELEVISION - RADIO - PRESS - INTERNET - POSTERS - BILLBOARDS - ELECTRIC SIGNS

Now....complete the table

ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
	ADVANTAGES

And now It's your turn!

You have acquired some useful marketing instruments, so now you can develop your marketing competence!

Promote "your" product with the most appropriate marketing strategies: who will be not tempted to buy it???









	Glossary
Billboard	a flat surface on which large advertisements or notices are posted
Brand	a type of product made by a particular company
Buyer	a person who buys; a purchaser
Contract	an agreement between two or more parties for the doing or not doing of something specified; an agreement enforceable by law
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Customer	A person or an organization that buys sth from a shop or business; a
	person who purchases goods or services from another
Delivery	a shipment of goods from the seller to the buyer
Discount	an amount deducted from the usual list price; a reduction in price
Enquiry	a request for information
Incoterms	The Incoterms rules or International Commercial Terms are a series of pre-defined commercial terms published by the International Chamber of
	Commerce (ICC). They are widely used in International commercial
	transactions or procurement processes. A series of three-letter trade terms related to common contractual sales practices, the Incoterms rules
	are intended primarily to clearly communicate the tasks, costs, and risks associated with the transportation and delivery of goods.
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Invoice	a bill, typically listing the goods sold or services provided, along with
	prices, the total charge, and the terms.
Label	a piece of paper etcthat is attached to sth and that gives information about it; a flat surface on which large advertisements or notices are
	posted

Launch	to make a product available to the public for the first time
Leaflet	a printed sheet of paper or a few printed pages that are given free to advertise or give information about sth
Negotiatio	n formal discussion between people who are trying to reach an agreement
Offer	to present or provide, as for sale
Order	a request to make or supply goods
Penalty	punishment for breaking a law, rule or contract
Product	all the goods or services that a company produces; a thing that is grown or produced, usually for sale
Reply	an answer given in words or writing
Seller	a person who sells sth
Supplier	a person or company that provides with goods
Terms	conditions that people offer, demand or accept, when they make an agreement or a contract
Warranty	a written agreement in which a company selling sth promises to repair or replace it if there is a problem within a particular period of time

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	appropriato in	appropriato in		
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	membro	del gruppo,	del gruppo,	impegna poco
	del gruppo,	mostrando	mostrando	per contribuire a
	mostrando	iniziativa,	iniziativa,	realizzare il
	iniziativa,	organizzando	organizzando	successo di
	organizzando	le attività e sostenendo tutti gli altri membri del	le attività e	gruppo
	le attività e			
	sostenendo		sostenendo	
	tutti gli altri		tutti gli altri membri del GRUPPO	
	membri del	gruppo		
	gruppo			
CONTENT/ CONTENUTO DISCIPLINARE	Ha acquisito tutti i concetti di base	Ha acquisito quasi tutti i concetti di base	Ha acquisito buona parte dei concetti di	Ha acquisito pochi concetti di base
	relativi all'argomento	relativi all'argomento	base relativi all'argomento	relativi all'argomento