

Theme 10: Shopping and Sport

Shopping

Where is the nearest shop?	Sikuphi isitolo esiseduze?
Where is the fruit?	Zikuphi izithelo na?
Where is the milk?	Lukuphi ubisi?
Where are the vegetables?	Iphi imifino na?
Where is the Pick & Pay / coffee / tea?	Ikuphi iPick & Pay / liphi ikhofi / liphi itiye?
How much is the bread / meat / eggs / sugar?	Sibiza malini isinkwa / ibiza malini inyama / abiza malini amaqanda / ubiza malini ushukela?
I want to buy clothes.	Ngifuna ukuthenga izingubo.
Can I try this on?	Ngingakulinganisa lokhu na?
I want size 6.	Ngifuna usayizi-6.
This is too big.	Lokhu kukhulu kakhulu.
This is too small.	Lokhu kuncane kakhulu.
It is too expensive.	Kuyabiza / kubiza kakhulu!
It is cheap!	Kushibhile!
I'll take this one.	Ngizothatha lokhu.
Where do I pay?	Ngikhokha kuphi?
I need a receipt.	Ngidinga irisidi.
Do you accept credit cards?	Uyawamukela amakhadi okuthenga na?

Sport

Where is the soccer stadium?	Ikuphi inkundla yebhola?
Where can I buy a ticket?	Ngingalithenga kuphi ithikithi?
Which team do you support?	Uthanda liphi iqembu?
I prefer rugby / soccer / tennis.	Ngithanda iragbhi / ibhola / ithenisi.
The match kicks off at 6.	Umdlalo uqala ngo-6.
Oh no!	Maye!
Foul!	Ukudlala kabi!
Goal!	Laduma! Igoli!
Where can I get a vuvuzela?	Ngingayithola kuphi ivuvuzela?
He dropped the ball.	Uwise ibhola.
He kicked the ball away.	Ukhahlele ibhola.
He threw the ball away.	Uphonse/ uphonsele ibhola phandle.
He scored a goal.	Ufake igoli.
He fell down.	Uwele phansi.
He was awarded a free kick.	Unikezwe ifree kick.
He is off-side.	Yena usendaweni engavunyelwe.
The referee is an idiot!	Unompempe uyisilima / uyisiphukuphuku!
Open your eyes!	Vula amehlo akho!
What a good match!	Waze wamuhle umdlalo!

COMMENTS

Shopping

South Africa has many malls and shopping centres, but also different types of markets. Saturday markets usually sell produce from farmers such as vegetables and home-made fare. Flea markets sell anything from arts and crafts to cheese and wine. Another form of business popular in South Africa is the "spaza" shop. This is a small shop run from somebody's house where one can buy small grocery items such as food, candy, cool drinks and much more.

Sport

Any visitor to South Africa soon discovers that the locals are crazy about sport. A natural spill over of this

passion is naming the different national sport teams. These names are usually a duplication of a word; for example the rugby team is called the *Amabokka bokka* (springbucks); the tennis team is the *Amasmash smash*; hockey is called the *Amastokka stokka* (sticks); cricket is the *Ama howzat* and the national soccer team is called *Bafana bafana*. Coming from the Xhosa language it means 'Men of men'; but in Zulu it means 'Boys of boys'.

The vuvuzela

The *vuvuzela* is the noise-making trumpet of South African football fans. It is about a metre long, made of brightly coloured plastic and sounds like an elephant! But when thousands of soccer fans blow their *vuvuzelas* in a match, the sound is more like a massive swarm of very angry bees.

There's uncertainty on the origin of the word "*vuvuzela*". It may come from the Zulu for "making noise". Other sources say it's from township slang related to the word "shower", because it "showers people with music" or looks a little like a shower head.

To get the unique sound out requires serious lip and lung strength, and a fair amount of technique. You better get in some practice before attending any South African football match, or you may produce a pitiable little sound provoking disapproving stares!

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A: Ngingayithenga kuphi ivuvuzela?	Where can I buy a vuvuzela?
B: Laphaya eSphaza.	There at the Spaza shop.
A: Ngithanda umdlalo webhola!	I like soccer!
B: Uqala nini umdlalo webhola?	When will the soccer match begin?
A: Vula amehlo akho! IBrazili ithole igoli!	Open your eyes! Brazil got a goal!
B: Laduma!! (<i>Blows on vuvuzela</i>)	Goal!!