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Shopping and paying

Prices, bargaining at markets and the question you will hear at every till: who scans whom.

How much is this?

这个多少钱?

zhège duōshao qián?

That's too expensive

太贵了

tài guì le

Can you make it cheaper?

能便宜一点吗?

néng piányi yìdiǎn ma?

I'm just looking

我只是看看

wǒ zhǐshì kànkàn

I'll take this

我买这个

wǒ mǎi zhège

Do you have a bigger one?

有大一点的吗?

yǒu dà yìdiǎn de ma?

Can I try it?

可以试试吗?

kěyǐ shìshi ma?

Can I pay by card?

可以刷卡吗?

kěyǐ shuā kǎ ma?

Can I pay with Alipay?

可以用支付宝吗?

kěyǐ yòng Zhīfùbǎo ma?

Can I pay with WeChat Pay?

可以用微信支付吗?

kěyǐ yòng Wēixìn zhīfù ma?

Can I pay in cash?

可以付现金吗?

kěyǐ fù xiànjīn ma?

Will you scan my code, or shall I scan yours?

你扫我还是我扫你?

nǐ sǎo wǒ hái shì wǒ sǎo nǐ?

A bag, please

请给我一个袋子

qǐng gěi wǒ yí ge dàizi

Is there a cash machine nearby?

附近有取款机吗?

fùjìn yǒu qǔkuǎnjī ma?

Good to know

- China pays with QR codes. Either the shop scans the code in your Alipay or WeChat, or you scan theirs and type the amount.
“你扫我还是我扫你? nǐ sǎo wǒ hái shì wǒ sǎo nǐ?” asks which.
- Shops must accept cash, but small vendors may not have change. Carry some small notes anyway.
- Bargaining is normal at markets and souvenir stalls, not in shops and malls with price tags.
- Prices are in yuan: 元 yuán on tags, 块 kuài in speech. 十块 shí kuài is 10 yuan.