

# Unit 7 Buying Goods & Services

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## Enduring Understandings

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Making decisions prior to buying goods and services fosters smart consumers.

Consumers have rights and responsibilities that impact their lives.

Government and private organizations protect and help to give consumers power.

## Essential Questions

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Why is it important to become smart consumers?

What rights and responsibilities do you have as a consumer?

What are the government and private organizations that provide consumer protection?

## Content

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Consumer

Brand name

Generic products

Comparison shopping

Promotional sale

Clearance sale

Loss leaders

Impulse buying  
Warranty  
Consumer rights  
Consumer movement  
Product liability  
Bait and switch  
Pollution  
Conservation  
Recycling  
Boycott  
Consumer advocates  
Grade labels  
Recall  
Legal monopoly  
Licenses  
Price discrimination  
Warranty  
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## **Skills**

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Identify four decisions that consumers make when they buy goods and services.

Compare brand name and generic products.

Identify choices that consumers must make about when to buy.

List several choices that consumers have when selecting a store to make purchases.

Describe tools that consumers can use to compare prices for goods and services.

Identify types of information that can be helpful to a consumer in making wise shopping decisions.

Describe seven protections that are included in the consumer bill of rights.

Describe the responsibilities of consumers.

Explain the steps consumers can take to find solutions to consumer problems.

List nongovernmental consumer organizations that advocate for consumers.

List some federal and state agencies that provide consumer information and protection.

Describe ways that consumers are protected by laws related to the marketplace.

List ways that the business community assists with consumer protection

## **Resources**

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## **Standards**

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NJ: 2014 CCCS: 21st Century Life and Careers

NJ: Grade 12

9.1 Personal Financial Literacy

Strand E: Becoming A Critical Consumer

9.1.12.E.2 Analyze and apply multiple sources of financial information when prioritizing financial decisions.

9.1.12.E.7 Apply specific consumer protection laws to the issues they address.

9.1.12.E.8 Relate consumer fraud, including online scams and theft of employee time and goods, to laws that protect consumers.