

Cheap, Affordable or Good Value? | Precision English

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Study task: Listen again and notice the expressions you studied.

1

cheap

barato

DEF

Costing little money, especially compared with similar things.

It can be positive about price, but look cheap often suggests poor quality; inexpensive is more neutral for price alone.

ES

Que cuesta poco dinero, especialmente comparado con cosas similares.

Puede ser positivo al hablar del precio, pero look cheap suele sugerir mala calidad; inexpensive es más neutral si solo importa el precio.

The tickets were cheap because we booked early.

The tickets were cheap because we booked early. → Las entradas fueron baratas porque reservamos pronto.

The bag looked cheap, although its price was high.

The bag looked cheap, although its price was high. → El bolso parecía de mala calidad, aunque su precio era alto.

2

affordable

asequible

DEF

Within the amount that a person or group can reasonably pay.

Use affordable for someone; affordability depends on a budget, so it is not identical to a low price.

ES

Dentro de lo que una persona o grupo puede pagar razonablemente.

Usa affordable for someone; depende de un presupuesto y no equivale simplemente a un precio bajo.

We need a coat that is affordable for our family.

We need a coat that is affordable for our family. → Necesitamos un abrigo asequible para nuestra familia.

The course became affordable for me when I received a discount.

The course became affordable for me when I received a discount. → El curso pasó a ser asequible para mí cuando recibí un descuento.



3

good value for money*buena relación calidad-precio***DEF**

Worth the amount paid because of the quality, usefulness or quantity received.

It compares what you get with what you pay; something can be good value but still exceed your budget.

ES

Que merece lo pagado por la calidad, utilidad o cantidad recibida.

Compara lo que recibes con lo que pagas; algo puede tener una buena relación calidad-precio y aun así superar tu presupuesto.

The warm, well-made coat was good value for money.

The warm, well-made coat was good value for money. → El abrigo, cálido y bien hecho, tenía una buena relación calidad-precio.

The ticket included a performance and a workshop, so it was good value for money.

The ticket included a performance and a workshop, so it was good value for money. → La entrada incluía una actuación y un taller, así que tenía una buena relación calidad-precio.

