

# personal english



## Semantic Field #4

### TRADE

**Bartering** means trading goods or services without the exchange of money. Borrowing and lending do not involve money either, and they are two sides of the same coin. **Borrowing** means getting something on loan, that is, getting the permission to use it, provided that you give it back. **Lending**, by contrast, means allowing temporarily the use of something. When money is exchanged for temporary use of a good, we call it **hire** or **rental**; if the commodity in question is a service, however, we call it a **subscription**. When you give up something permanently in exchange for money, then you **sell** (**sale**) it; the opposite action is that of **buying** (**purchase**).

