

Mr. and Mrs. Basu went to Woodlands Apparel to buy a pullover. Mr. Basu did not read the price tag on the piece selected by him. At the counter while making the payment asked for the price, Rs.950 was the answer. Meanwhile, Mrs. Basu, who was still shopping came back and joined her husband. She was glad that he had selected a nice black pullover for himself. She pointed out that there was a 25% discount on that item. The counter person nodded in agreement.Mr. Basu was thrilled to hear that "it means the price of this pullover is just Rs.712. That's fantastic", said Mr. Basu.He decided to buy one more pullover in green color. In no time, he returned with the second pullover and asked them to be paced. When he received the cash memo for payment he was astonished to find that he had to pay Rs.1900 and not Rs,1424.Mr. Basu could hardly reconcile himself to the fact that the counter person had quoted the discount price which was Rs.950. The original price printed on the tag was Rs.1266.

Questions:

- 1. Identify the three sources of Mr. Basu's information.
- 2. Discuss the main problem in this case.
- 3. What should Mr. Basu have done to avoid the misunderstanding?
- 4. Who is to be blamed for this communication gap? And why?



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