

Skript SuS.docx

Dienstag, 28. Februar 2023 10:15



Polite Questions



Exercise 1: Multiple Matching

Match each polite question on the left with a sentence from the right that has a similar meaning.

polite questions
1) Would you like to go to the bank?
2) Would you like me to go to the bank?
3) Would you mind going to the bank?
4) Would you mind if I went to the bank?

similar sentence	number
a) Do you want to go to the bank?	1
b) Go to the bank, please.	3
c) Please may I go to the bank?	4
d) Do you want me to go to the bank for you?	2

Exercise 2: Rewriting

Rewrite these sentences as polite questions!

Begin each one with "Would you like... or Would you mind..."

1) Do you want to fly Business Class?

Would you like to fly Business Class

2) Please wait a few minutes. The manager is busy at the moment.

Would you mind waiting a few minutes. The

3) Hello Mrs. Chrysler, I need to take a day off next week.

Hello Mrs. Chrysler, would you mind me taking a day off next week?

4) Do you want to visit our showroom?

would you like to visit our showroom

5) I can send you our latest annual report. Do you want me to?

Would you like me to send you our latest annual report?

6) May I pay by credit card?

Would you mind me paying by credit card

7) We can pay in advance if you want.

Would you like us to pay in advance?

8) Please don't park here. The visitor's car park is over there.

Would you mind not parking here? The

Exercise 3: Writing

Use the grammar box to make the direct questions below into polite questions! Use an extra sheet of paper!

GRAMMAR		Polite questions and requests	
Direct		Polite	
1	Where do you want to send it?	Could you tell me	where you want to send it?
2	What does this mean?	Could you explain	what this means?
3	What are you looking for?	Could you describe	what you are looking for?
4	Does it cost a lot?	I'd like to know	if it costs a lot.
5	Is it expensive?	Please tell me	if it's expensive.

Im Englischen ist es wichtig, Fragen und Bitten höflich zu formulieren.

- Direkte Fragen werden nach einem höflichen einleitenden Ausdruck in indirekte Fragen verwandelt (1–5).
- Die Hilfsverben *do* und *does*, die in direkten Fragen notwendig sind, entfallen (1, 2, 4).
- Bei Fragen mit Fragewort (*what*, *how* usw.) wird das Fragewort beibehalten (1–3).
- Bei Ja/Nein-Fragen wird *if* benutzt (4, 5).

Jan	What sort of thing do you want?	Could you tell me the sort of thing you want?
Customer	I'm not sure. Perhaps a phone or even a tablet.	
Jan	What do you want it for?	Could you explain what you want it for?
Customer	I want it for writing emails, taking photos and watching films.	
Jan	Do you want to make phone calls with it?	Could you tell me if you want to make phone calls with it.
Customer	Perhaps not. I already have a mobile.	
Jan	Are you looking for a bigger or smaller device?	I'd like to know if you are looking for a bigger or smaller device.
Customer	I'm looking for a bigger device.	
Jan	We're expecting some phones tomorrow. What's your phone number?	We're expecting some phones tomorrow. Could you tell me what your phone number is.

You've already finished the exercises?

Great! Go ahead and play these learning games then!

Have fun 😊

