



Going Out with Your Co-Workers

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Exercise 1 – Reading

Read the dialogue aloud with your tutor and check your understanding.

James just got a promotion, so he invites his co-worker to go out for some drinks.

James: Hey Bob, are you doing anything after work?

Bob: Not really. I'm just going to walk home and watch a movie or something.

James: Perfect! What do you say we go out for some drinks instead? I'm buying. I finally got that promotion I've been waiting for.

Bob: Nice! Congratulations, man! It was about time. Now, that's something to drink for.

James: It sure is! How about we go to that pub around the corner?

Bob: Sounds good!



Several hours later, Bob and James are in the pub. They see their co-worker, Jessica, in front of the pub.

James: Hey, Jessica! Come on in! Why don't you join us for a drink? It's my treat.

Jessica: Are you guys celebrating something?

James: As a matter of fact, we are. I got promoted! Come on, what are you drinking?

Jessica: Wow, congratulations, James! Okay, I could have one beer, I guess.

James: Waiter, one beer, please! Put it on my tab. And another round for the two of us.



A couple of hours later.

Bob: It's getting late. We should probably get going.

James: Yeah, you're right. I'll just go foot the bill.

Bob: No, I can't let you pay the whole bill, let's go Dutch.

James: No way, it's on me. When you get promoted, you'll pay.

Bob: Okay, it's a deal!



Check your understanding:

1. What did Bob plan to do after work?
2. Why did James invite Bob to go out for some drinks?
3. Who paid for the drinks?



Exercise 2 – Learning

Useful Expressions

- Let's go out for a drink.
- Let's go grab a beer.
- What do you say we go out for some drinks?
- I'm buying.
- It's my treat.
- It's on me.
- I'll foot the bill.
- Another round, please.
- Let's split the bill!
- Let's go Dutch.
- Put it on my tab.



Exercise 3 – Role Play

Take turns with your tutor and act out the scene described below.

Scene: It's Friday, and after a long week, you decide it would be a good time to go out for a drink with your colleagues. Your teacher will act as one of your colleagues. Ask him/her out, and talk about who is going to pay the bill.



Exercise 4 – Discussion

Discuss the following questions with your tutor.

1. Do you and your colleagues often go out for a drink?
2. Do you engage in other activities with your colleagues? For example, teambuilding.
3. Do you prefer going out in small groups or large groups? Why?