# Greeting colleagues and clients

**COMMUNICATION** 

LEVEL Beginner NUMBER EN\_BE\_1216X LANGUAGE English





#### Goals

- Can recognise and understand basic greetings for colleagues and clients at work
- Can use these words and phrases to greet and ask how someone is in a work setting







#### **Preview and warm-up**

■ In this lesson you are going to practise **greeting colleagues** and **clients**.



Pleased to meet you.



Hi

How are you?

And yourself?

**Good afternoon** 



I'm doing well, thank you.

I'm doing ok.

**Good morning** 

**Good night** 



#### **Colleagues or clients**

Which phrases do you use with colleagues and which with clients? Do you use some phrases with both?



#### **Greeting colleagues**

You usually **know** your **colleagues**. You do not usually use formal language.



Hi!

#### How's it going?

This means *how are you?* You can use with your **colleagues** and your **friends**.



How's it going?

#### **Good to see you**

#### Good to see you again

Use these phrases with **colleagues** who **you know**.



Good to see you!



Good to see you again.





Hi Marco, how's it going?





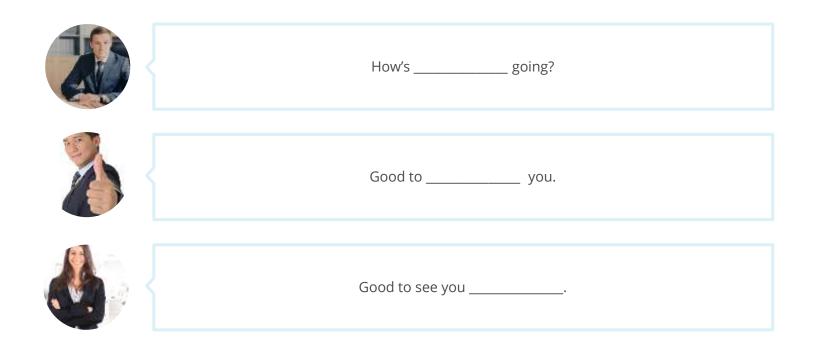


Good to see you again, Karen.



#### Fill in the gaps

#### Fill in the gaps to complete the phrases.





# Fill in the gaps to complete the dialogue. Then practise the dialogue with a partner.





Hi Julia, good to see you \_\_\_\_\_ .

Good \_\_\_\_ see you too lan.

How's it \_\_\_\_ ?

I'm doing ok. And \_\_\_\_ ?

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Role play greeting a colleague. Swap roles with your partner when you are done.





Student A: Start the conversation.

Student B: Respond to student A.

#### **Greeting clients**

You use **formal language** to **greet** your **clients**.



**Good morning.** 

#### nice to meet you

#### pleased to meet you

Use these phrases when you **meet someone** for the **first time**.



Nice to meet you.



I'm Harry, pleased to meet you.

I'm ... from ...

Use this phrase to say your **name** and where you **work**.



Hello, I'm Gina from Eco Green.



Hello, I'm Pete from marketing.

#### we spoke on the phone

Use this phrase to tell someone how they know you.



I'm Fran from Sea Tech. We spoke on the phone.





I'm James from marketing. I sent you an email.

Hello, I'm Pete from New Game. We spoke on the phone.





Alan from accounting. Pleased to meet you.



#### Match to make phrases

Nice to... Pleased... We spoke... on the phone. meet you. to meet you.



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#### **Categorise**

#### Put the phrases into the correct category. Do some go in both?

How's it going?

Good to see you again.

Pleased to meet you

Good to see you.

We spoke on the phone.

Nice to meet you.

Colleagues

Clients



#### Fill in the gaps then practise the dialogue with a partner.



Good morning, I'm Ursula \_\_\_\_\_ Farmer Co. I \_\_\_\_\_ you an email.

Ah, yes! I'm Jenny, \_\_\_\_\_ to meet you.





Nice to \_\_\_\_\_\_ you too. How \_\_\_\_\_ you?

I'm \_\_\_\_\_ well, thank you.





Role play meeting a client for the first time. Swap roles with your partner when you are done.





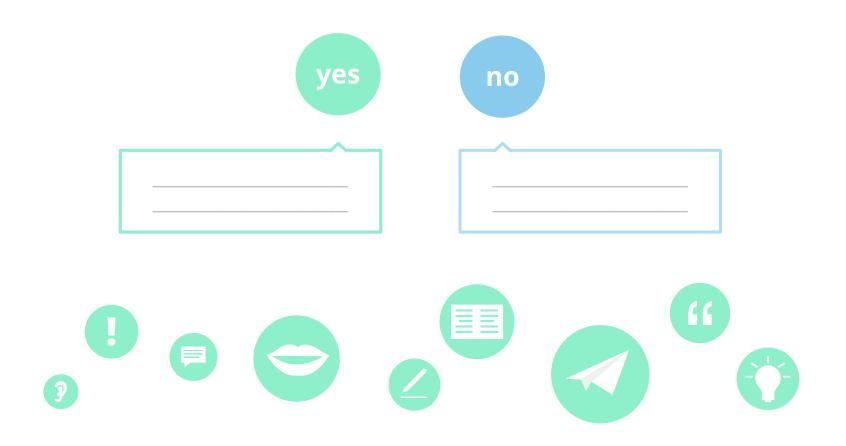
Student A: Start the conversation.

Student B: Answer student A.



#### Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.



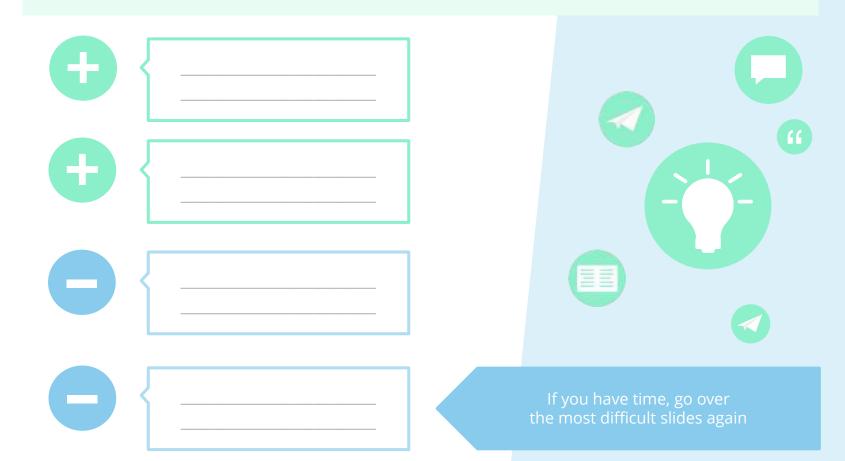


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#### Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson. What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?





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Colleagues: how's it going? Good to see you. Good to see you again. Clients: Pleased to meet you. We spoke on the phone. Nice to meet you.

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Nice to meet you. Pleased to meet you. We spoke on the phone.

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Exercise p. 12

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## Matching

6. We spoke...

How's it...
 Good to...
 meet you.
 going?
 Nice to...
 on the phone.
 Pleased...
 see you.

f. to meet you.



Write a dialogue showing greetings between two colleagues or a business person and a client.



### Homework answer key

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