

Ordering in a Restaurant

When you order food, you can use these phrases:

- I'd like...
- I'll have...
- Could I please have...
- I guess I'll take...
- Can I get...
- I think I'll order...

The conversation between the host and guest:

How many?

A table for two.

Do you have a reservation?

- I have a table for two under (Family name)
- No, but could we get a table beside the window?

Right this way, please.

- Could we look at some menus?
- Could we get some water?
- I'll have a Diet Coke.

Deciding:

Are you ready to order?

- Please give us a minute...
- I think we need a few more minutes.
- Not quite. We're still thinking.
- What would you suggest?

- What's popular here?
- What do you recommend?
- What are the specials today?
- I think we're ready to order.

Ordering:

I guess I'll have a small garden pizza without onions, and I'd like extra cheese. Oh, could you also please add sun-dried tomatoes to half. And then I'll have a side salad as well.

What kind of dressing on the salad?

I'll have Thousand Island, and I also don't want onions in my salad.

Sure, no problem. Anything else? / Will that be all?

That's all for now, thanks.

The check:

- · Could we get the check?
- · Check, please.
- · We'll have the bill.
- We're ready for the bill.
- Could we have a to-go box for this?
- Could you wrap this up to go?
- I'd like to get this to go. Can you bring me a box?
- I want to take this home, so I'll have a box.

Assignment:

Find an online menu and practice ordering different combinations of items. Record yourself and then try to pick out mistakes or strange phrasing.