

Eating Out

Exercise 1

Vocabulary

restaurant

Noun

/ˈrɛstəˌrɑːnt/ a place where you can buy and eat a meal

We went out to the **restaurant** last night.

eat out

Phrasal Verb

/i:t aʊt/ to eat at a restaurant

How often do you **eat out**?

order

Verb

/ˈɔːrdər/ to ask for food or drink in a restaurant

I **ordered** a bottle of beer.

menu

Noun

/ˈmɛnjuː/ a list of the food that you can order at a restaurant

Can I see the wine **menu**?

beverage

Noun

/ˈbɛvərɪdʒ/ a drink

What kind of **beverages** do you have?

Exercise 2

Useful Expressions

- May I have the menu, please?
- That sounds good.
- I'll have that.
- Do you have any specials?

Exercise 3

Dialogue Practice

Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

Zach is at an American restaurant.

Waiter



Good evening. A table for how many people, sir?

Zach



Just for one, please.

Waiter



Right this way, sir.

Zach



May I have the menu, please?

Waiter



Certainly, here it is. I'll be back in a few minutes to take your order.

After 5 minutes, the waiter returns.

Waiter



Are you ready to order, sir?

Zach



Not yet. Do you have any specials?

Waiter



Today's special is beef stroganoff, sir.

Zach



OK, that sounds good. I'll have that.

Waiter



Very good. What would you like to drink, sir?

Zach



Pineapple juice, please.

Waiter



Certainly. I'll be back with your beverage in a minute.

Check your understanding:

1. How many people were with Zach at the restaurant?
2. Was Zach ready to order when the waiter returned?
3. Did Zach order beef stroganoff?
4. What did he order to drink?

Exercise 4

Listening Comprehension

Listen to your teacher read the text then choose the correct answers to the questions.

1. Why did Carol, Paul, and their co-workers decide to go to a restaurant?
 - A. They had a successful week at work, so they decided to treat themselves.
 - B. They all got a raise, so they wanted to spend some money.
2. Who needed help ordering?
 - A. Carol couldn't decide what to order.
 - B. Paul asked the waiter for suggestions.
3. What meals did the waiter offer Paul?
 - A. The waiter offered Paul fish and chips, burger, and pasta.
 - B. The waiter advised Paul to get French onion soup.

4. What did everyone decide to drink?

- A. Everyone ordered juice.
- B. Beer was the beverage everyone chose to have.

Exercise 5

Discussion

1. How often do you eat out?
2. What is your favorite food?
3. What food do you usually order at a restaurant?
4. What is your favorite beverage?
5. What is your favorite restaurant?