

Friday, the 13th of February

Lesson 13

Topic: Dining Out

Topic: Lunch at a Café

Objectives: - To learn and practice functional language for ordering food.

- To master "polite complaints" and requests.
- To distinguish between British and American English in food contexts.

1. Warm-up: Quick Discussion

- *What is your favorite local café and why?*
- *Do you prefer street food or a sit-down restaurant?*
- *Have you ever had a "bad" experience at a café? What happened?*

2. Vocabulary: Essential Phrases

Ця лексика є основа для подальшого діалогу.

| The Customer | The Waiter/Server |
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| Do you have a table for two? | Are you ready to order? |
| I'll have the [dish], please. | Still or sparkling water? |
| Could we have the bill (UK) / check (US)? | Anything else for you? |
| Is this dish spicy / gluten-free? | Enjoy your meal! |
| I'm afraid I didn't order this. | I'll be right back with that. |

3. Grammar Note: Modal Verbs for Politeness

важливо уникати занадто прямих фраз на кшталт "I want...".

- **Could / Would:** "Could we get some more napkins?"
- **May:** "May I see the dessert menu?"

- **Would like:** "I would like the steak medium-rare."

4. Practice: The "Problem" Scenario

Робота в парах. Один учень — офіціант, інший — вибагливий клієнт.

1. The soup is cold.
2. There is a hair in the salad.
3. The waiter forgot the drinks.
4. The bill is incorrect (charged for two coffees instead of one).

Example: > *Customer:* "Excuse me, I'm afraid this soup is a bit cold. Could you heat it up for me?"

Waiter: "I'm so sorry about that. I'll take it back to the kitchen immediately."

5. Cultural Tip: Tipping & Etiquette

Коротко обговоріть різницю в культурах:

- **USA:** Tipping is mandatory (usually 15-20%).
- **UK/Europe:** Service charge might be included, but tipping 10% is common.
- **Ukraine:** Usually 10% if the service was good.

6. Homework : Write a short online review (50-80 words) for a café you recently visited. Use at least 5 new adjectives (e.g., *exquisite, overpriced, cozy, bland, scrumptious*).