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SECTION

1

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UNIT 1

Welcoming Guests and Showing Them to Their Table



A

CONVERSATION



001

Head Waitress



Guest



A head waitress welcomes a **party**¹ of guests, confirms their **reservation**,² and shows them to a table.



Good evening. Welcome to the Pine Tree Restaurant.



Good evening.



Do you have a reservation with us this evening?



Yes, we have a reservation under the name Thompson.



One moment, please. *[The head waitress checks the reservation list.]*
Ah, here we are: Thompson. A table for three at seven o'clock.



That's right.



Where would you like to sit?



I'd **prefer**³ to sit by the window.



Wonderful. **Follow**⁴ me, please.
[The head waitress leads the guests to their table.]
Is this table OK?





Yes, this will be fine.



Great! Please take a seat. Here are your **menus**.⁵
Your waiter will be along soon to take your **order**.⁶

Word Bank

1. **party** ['pɑːti] (n.) 一行人
2. **reservation** [ˌrezə'veɪʃən] (n.) 訂位
3. **prefer** [prɪ'fɜː] (v.) 寧可，更喜歡
4. **follow** ['fɒləʊ] (v.) 跟隨
5. **menu** ['menju] (n.) 菜單
6. **order** ['ɔːdə] (n.) 點餐

▶ read a menu



▲ take an order

B

SENTENCE PATTERNS

1 Welcome to the

Pine Tree Restaurant.
Seven Seas Grill.
Red Sun Steakhouse.
Coffee Inn.



2 We have a reservation under the name

Thompson.
Green.
Jones.
Davies.

3 I'd prefer to sit

by the window.
by the band.
near the bar.



4 Your waiter
Your waitress
One of our servers
Someone

will be along soon to take your order.



ROLE PLAY



002

Practice the following conversation with a partner. Then have similar conversations using the information in the reservation list.



H Welcome to Freddie's Bistro. Do you have a reservation with us this evening?

G Good evening. Yes, we have a reservation.

H OK. What's the name?

G Grant.

[A few seconds later.]

H Ah, here it is. Grant; table for five at five thirty. We have a table ready for you. Please follow me.

G Thank you very much.

TABLE RESERVATIONS		
DATE _____		
DAY _____		
Dinner		
Time	# PPL	Name
5:30 p.m.	5	Grant
6:00 p.m.	4	Rogers
6:30 p.m.	3	Frederick
7:00 p.m.	2	Gibson
7:30 p.m.	6	Hammond

D

MORE EXPRESSIONS & INTONATION



003

H: Head Waiter G: Guest

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UNIT

1

Welcoming Guests and Showing Them to Their Table

A Welcoming Guests

<p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Good evening. * Good afternoon. * Welcome to our restaurant. 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Good evening. * Good afternoon. * Thank you. <p>G</p>
<p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do you have a reservation? * Do you have a booking¹? * Have you booked a table? 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Yes. It's under the name Davies. * No, we don't. * No, we haven't. <p>G</p>
<p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * How many people are in your party? 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Three. * There are three of us right now, but two more will be joining us later. <p>G</p>

B Finding a Table

<p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Would you like a table near the window? 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Yes, that would be wonderful. * Could we sit on the terrace² instead? <p>G</p>
<p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Smoking or non-smoking? 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Non-smoking, please. * Smoking, please. <p>G</p>
<p>G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * What about that table? Can we sit there? 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * I'm sorry. That table has been reserved by another party. <p>H</p>

Word Bank

1. **booking** ['bʊkɪŋ] (n.) 預訂2. **terrace** ['terəs] (n.) 露天平台

Intonation Quiz: Listen to the MP3. Draw a ↗ if you hear a rising intonation and a ↘ if you hear a falling intonation.  004

1. _____ Would you like to sit in the smoking area or the non-smoking **area**?