



Lesson 2.

How to say “hello” & “goodbye”?



**LEARNING ENGLISH**



When we first meet someone whether it is a person we know or someone we are meeting for the first time, we will normally use a simple sentence as a way of greeting them.

# GREETING

- A greeting is a friendly way of opening a conversation, or as a way of letting the other person know, that we have seen them.



# Saying “hello”!

- Hi!
- Hello!
- Hi there!
- Hello there!
- Hey, how are you doing?
- Howdy friend. (USA)
- What’s up?
- How’s it going?
- Wow, it’s good to see you!





# We sometimes use a double greeting...

- Hi there, hey how are you doing?
  - Hello, how have you been?
  - It's good to see you, how's life been treating you?
- 



If you are meeting someone  
for the first time you can  
say ...

- Good to meet you!
- It's nice to meet you!
- I'm pleased to meet you!
- It is a pleasure to meet you!



These sentences are often used after the other  
person has been introduced to you.



If you are meeting someone  
you have not seen or heard  
for a long time then you  
can show real surprise and  
**shock**

Oh my God! It's you!

- Aahh, where have you been?
- My goodness, long time no speak!
- Wow, it's so good to see you again!
- Is it really you? When did we last meet?
- Wow, as I live and breathe, it's my best friend from school!?



If you are in a hurry there may only be a short time in which to make you greeting.

- Hi, sorry I can't stop!

- Oh hi there, look I'm a bit pushed for time...

here is my phone number... give me a call sometime!

- Hello there! Look I'm on my way to work... maybe catch up with you again soon.

- Hey, I would love to stop and chat... but I really have to dash.

This type of greeting is common these days because we all in such a big hurry to get some place... fast!



We sometimes use the word “hello” as a way of showing surprise or as way of expressing a sudden interest in smth.

- Hello, what’s going on here?
- Hello, I didn’t know he had a girlfriend!
- Hello, what’s going on over there?
- Hello, smth. is wrong here... he took my money!

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- Hello, isn't a lovely day?
  - Hello, what about this terrible weather?
  - Hello, did you hear the storm last night?
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In many countries people  
will ask about the family.

- Hello, how's the family?
  - Hello, how's your wife doing?
  - Hello how are the kids?
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The word “hello” can also be used informally as a way of expressing sarcasm or annoyance.

- Hello, did you understand what I said?
- Hello, was that too difficult for you to read?
- Hello, did you see me waving at you?
- Hello, do you not recognize me?
- Hello, what time do you call this? You are late!

# Saying “Goodbye”!

- Bye!
- Bye for now!
- Bye – bye!
- See ya!
- So long!
- Ciao!
- Later!
- Cheerio!
- See you!
- See you around!
- Farwell!
- Ta – ra!
- See you againg!
- Ta – ta for now!
- Catch you later!
- Goodbye!



# Ta – ta!

- This expressions is mostly used in certain parts of the UK.
- It is a friendly fun way to say goodbye!