

UNIT

1

Dining Out



Learning Objectives

Nowadays people grow inclined to dine out since it's generally affordable as well as time-saving. Reservations often have to be made before eating out. Meanwhile, table etiquette cannot be overlooked because proper table manners ensure that both guests and hosts are comfortable while dining.

In this unit, you will learn how to reserve a table and how to order a meal in a restaurant.

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Lead-in

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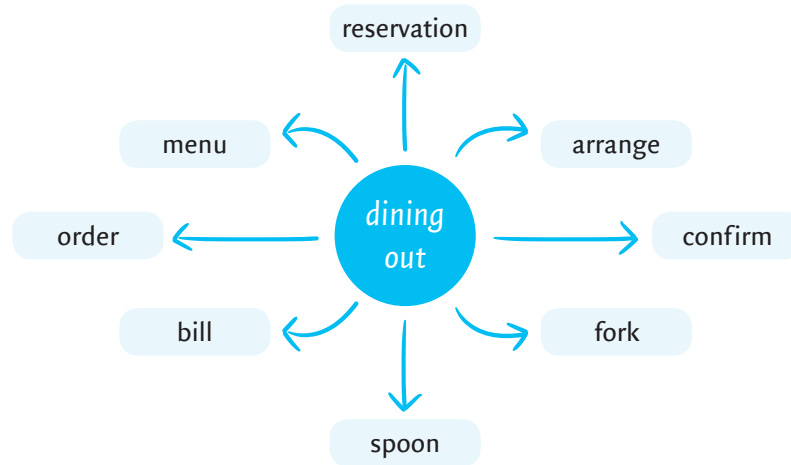
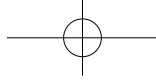
▶ Watch the video and choose the right sentence(s) from the following.

- () I have a small stomach.
- () I eat little.
- () I eat like a bird.

Word Map

Task 1

Read the word map of dining out. Try to learn the words by heart.



Word Digging

reservation /ˌrezə'veɪʃən/	<i>n.</i>	预订	spoon /spu:n/	<i>n.</i>	勺
arrange /ə'reɪndʒ/	<i>v.</i>	安排	bill /bɪl/	<i>n.</i>	账单
confirm /kən'fɜ:m/	<i>v.</i>	确认	order /'ɔ:də/	<i>n.</i>	点菜
fork /fɔ:k/	<i>n.</i>	叉子	menu /'menju:/	<i>n.</i>	菜单

Task 2

Add more words/expressions related to the topic to the box below.

NOTE

2

Watching and Practice

Scene One Reserving a table



Task 1

Watch the video and choose the correct answers.

- Victor calls the restaurant to _____.
A. make a lunch reservation B. make a dinner reservation
C. confirm a lunch reservation
- At first Victor wants to have dinner at _____.
A. 5 pm B. 7 pm C. 8 pm
- How many people will be at the party?
A. Three. B. Four. C. Five.

Task 2

Watch again and fill in the blanks with what you have heard.

Waiter: Good evening, Sunshine Restaurant. May I help you?

Victor: Hello, I'd like to (1) _____ for Friday.

Waiter: Certainly, I'd be happy to help you with that. (2) _____?

Victor: There'll be four of us.

Waiter: (3) _____ would you like to make a reservation for?

Victor: Let's say at 5 pm.

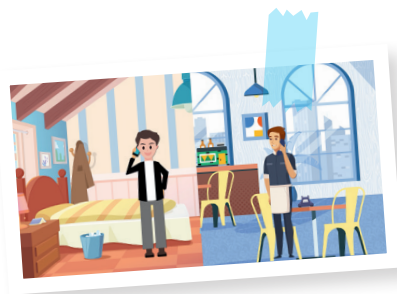
Waiter: I'm afraid we don't have (4) _____ then. We could
(5) _____ at 6 pm.

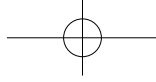
Victor: Oh, OK. Let's make the reservation for 6 pm.

Waiter: Fine, six o'clock on Friday evening for four people.
(6) _____?

Victor: Yes, it's Victor.

Waiter: Thank you. Great, that's a table for four for the Victor party at six o'clock on Friday evening.





Victor: Oh, can I have (7) _____? My friends love the bird's-eye view.

Waiter: I see. I'll try my best to meet your requirement.

Victor: Thanks. I'd (8) _____ if that could be arranged.

Waiter: We look forward to your visit. Thanks for calling.

Sentence Drills

How many people will there be?

What time would you like to
make a reservation for?

May I have your name?

I'd appreciate it if...

Helpful Tools

available /ə'veɪləbəl/

adj.

可用的

appreciate /ə'pri:ʃiət/

v.

感激

look forward to

期待



Task 3

Role-play. Work in pairs and act out the conversation in Task 2.

Scene Two Ordering a meal in a restaurant

Task 1

Watch the video. Decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).



- 1 The guests made a reservation in advance. ()
- 2 Taylor orders the shrimp cocktail and the cream of mushroom soup. ()
- 3 Both John and Taylor order red wine. ()

Task 2

Watch again and fill in the blanks with what you have heard.

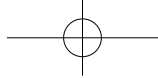
Waiter: Good evening. Do you have (1) _____?

Taylor: No, we don't.

Waiter: How many people are with you?

Taylor: Just the two of us.

Waiter: OK. This is the menu. (2) _____?



Taylor: Sorry, we haven't decided yet.
Could you give us a bit more time?

Waiter: No problem.
(Five minutes later)

Taylor: Well, I think I would like to have the shrimp cocktail and the cream of mushroom soup first. How about you, John?

John: (3) _____.

Waiter: Yes, sir.

John: (4) _____, Taylor?

Taylor: Well, I'd like to have the T-bone steak, (5) _____, please.

John: I'll have the sirloin steak, medium, please.

Waiter: Yes. What would you like to drink?

John: (6) _____, and you, Taylor?

Taylor: I think I'll have a beer.

John: One glass of red wine and one bottle of beer, please.

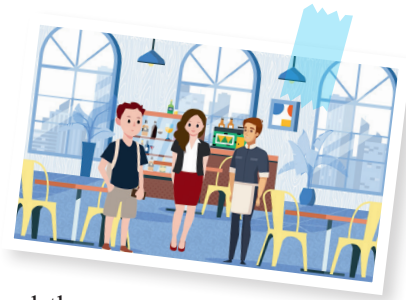
Waiter: Would you like a dessert?

John: (7) _____?

Waiter: We have the lemon pie, the cheesecake, and the strawberry pudding.

Taylor: Well, I think we'll order (8) _____.

Waiter: All right, I'll bring you the soup right away.



Sentence Drills

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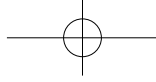
Well, I think I would like to have...

The same for me, please.

What would you like to drink?

Helpful Tools

shrimp /ʃrɪmp/	<i>n.</i>	虾
T-bone steak		T 骨牛排
medium /'mi:diəm/	<i>adj.</i>	半熟的
sirloin /'sɜ:lɔɪn/	<i>n.</i>	牛里脊肉



Task 3

Oral practice. Suppose you are dining with a friend in a Western food restaurant. Make up a dialogue ordering a meal.

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Listening and Practice



Task 1

Listen to the short passage and fill in the blanks with what you have heard.



Seating (1) _____ are made by the host. Your host may have seating arrangements (2) _____. So you should allow him/her to (3) _____ you to your seat. The seating arrangement starts by placing the (4) _____. The guest of honour should have the (5) _____ seat at the table. Usually that is one with the back of the chair to the (6) _____. Once the guest of honour's seat is (7) _____, the host should sit to his/her left. Other people are then (8) _____ seats around the table.

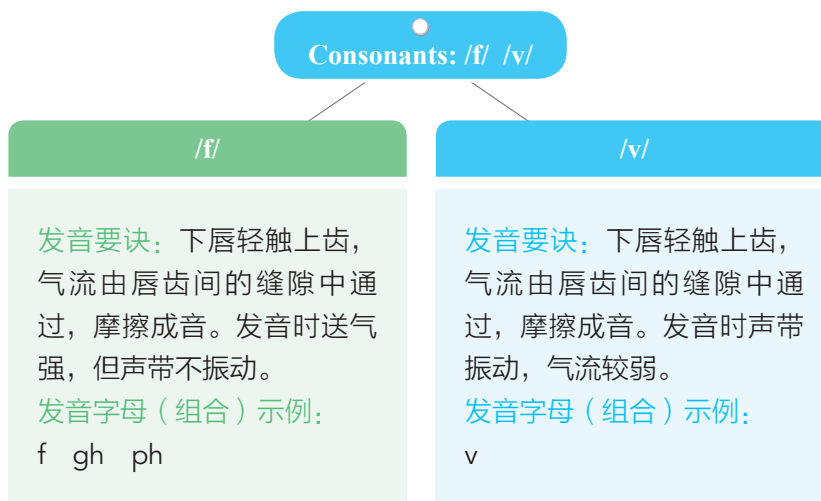
Task 2

Talk show. Give a description of some other table manners that you know.

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Pronunciation Workshop

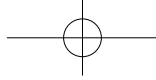
Consonants (辅音)：发音时，气流在口腔、鼻腔或咽头受阻而形成音。



Task 1

Work in groups. Listen to the pronunciation of the following consonants and the related words, then practise them with your group members.

/f/	/v/
fat fault fifth enough photo	heavy never vary very vet



Task 2

Pronounce the following words and put them into the corresponding columns.

live

veil

laugh

village

off

phone

drive

friend

have

fit

/f/

/v/

Task 3

Work in pairs. Practise the following tongue twisters with your partner.

- A Finnish fisherman found a big fissure in his fishing net.
- Vivian drives the van very fast. Victor is very nervous in the van.



Self-evaluation

Criteria and Weight	Individual Score	Total Score
Watching (40%)		
Listening (30%)		
Speaking (30%)		
Gains		
Problems		
Suggestions		