



1. Things you need to know

Les must

1.

Yes, it's great to begin with a word of agreement: **Yes**

Oui

2.

After saying "yes", sometimes there's no choice but to say "no"... From the tone you can tell that no means **No!**

Non

3.

Now that we've mastered "yes" and "no", it's time to ask for something, and say **Please**

S'il vous plaît

4.

If we get what we asked for, we probably want to say thanks: you can just say **Thank You**

Merci

5.

And you can also add emphasis by saying **Thanks a Lot**

Merci beaucoup / Merci bien

6.

Usually you'll get a standard response, such as "my pleasure", "no problem", or a

modest response like: **You're welcome**

De rien

7.

Now we already know how to put words together and say: **Yes, please**

Oui, merci

8.

Or: **No, thank you**

Non, merci

9.

“Excuse me” is an interesting phrase. When we want to be polite, get someone’s attention, make a comment, ask for something, the correct phrase is “excuse me”. For example, “Excuse me please, you’re stepping on my foot!” – **Excuse me**

Excusez-moi, Pardon

10.

There is also a way to ask for forgiveness – “Ooh, I beg your pardon, I didn’t mean it!” If we accidentally hurt someone, we can say **I beg your pardon**

Pardon

11.

When we want to express true sorrow or to apologize, the appropriate phrase is:

Sorry

Je regrette

12.

And when everything is fine, you can say: **It's okay**

Ce n'est rien

13.

Moving on to some “dating phrases”. The first word you’ll probably say at the beginning of the date is: **Hello**

Bonjour ! / Salut!

14.

And when you part ways? It’s always nice to say, I had a great time, hope to see you soon, **Goodbye**

Au revoir

15.

Sometimes you do want to see that person again, and sometimes you say “see you” just to be polite... in either case, we say: **See you**

À bientôt !

16.

I wonder why almost every language has a special greeting for mornings. When you meet someone in the morning, you say: **Good morning!**

Bonjour !

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And there is also a special greeting for the afternoon: **Good afternoon!**

Bon après-midi !

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When you meet someone in the evening, you say: **Good evening!**

Bonsoir / Bonne soirée!

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And at night, when you are ready to go to sleep, you guessed right! – we say **Good night!**

Bonne nuit !

20.

After a good night's sleep, we're ready to start the new day. Or maybe we want to welcome a guest, or maybe someone is happy to meet us and says: “Good to see you... **Welcome!**”

Bienvenue !

21.

When people meet each other, they usually exchange “small talk”. They aren't always interested in a specific answer, but they show interest: **What's new?**

Que devenez-vous ?

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How are you today?

Comment allez-vous aujourd'hui ?

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Some people simply ask, **How are you doing today?**

Quoi de neuf ?

24.

Most people expect a polite answer and not a list of complaints... You can simply say: **Fine, thanks**

Ça va bien merci

25.

Everything's fine with me. What about you?

Chez moi tout va bien, et chez vous ?

26.

And if everything was okay, or at least no one complained, you can say politely: I enjoyed myself, **I had a lovely time**

C'était très agréable

27.

And your host will probably reply: "It's my pleasure".

Yes, it's always a good idea to be polite... **It's my pleasure**

Le plaisir est pour moi

28.

And so, continuing to be polite, let us part by saying: **I wish you...**

Je vous souhaite...

29.

You could also say "best wishes", or "all the best", and maybe even wish someone **Good luck**

bonne chance

30.

You could, of course, add a little more detail, such as: **Good health and happiness**

beaucoup de bonheur et une bonne santé

31.

And there's also **Happy Holiday**

une bonne fête

32.

And of course **Happy New Year**

une bonne année

33.

Another way of saying goodbye is **Bon voyage**

bon voyage

34.

Hey, kid, how old are you?! **Happy birthday**

un joyeux anniversaire

35.

And to mark a wedding anniversary, you would say **Happy anniversary**

un joyeux anniversaire de mariage

36.

Have a good time, **Enjoy your stay**

un bon séjour

37.

And **Have a nice day**

une bonne journée !

38.

And you could always add this greeting: **All the best**

bien des choses !



12. Hotels

A l'hôtel

355.

Now that we've landed safely, filled in all the forms and set out as tourists... let's think about the most common situations we may encounter. We'll begin at the hotel. Make a reservation in advance to make sure there's a room... **Making Hotel Reservations**

Réservations de chambres d'hôtel

356.

If you didn't make a reservation, your first question to the hotel clerk is: **Hello, do you have a vacancy?**

Bonjour, avez-vous une chambre de libre ?

357.

Here's the answer you don't want to hear: **Sorry, everything's taken**

Je regrette, nous sommes complets

358.

If you did make a reservation, you can say: **I have a reservation**

J'ai une réservation

359.

And if not, try your luck and hope for the best: **I don't have a reservation**

Je n'ai pas de réservation

360.

Maybe you need to give more information: **I need a room...**

Je voudrais une chambre...

361.

for one night

pour une nuit

362.

for two adults and two children

pour deux adultes et deux enfants

363.

This may sound odd, but based on experience it's a good idea to add: **with a bathroom**

avec salle de bain et toilettes

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with a single bed or a double bed

avec un lit pour une personne / un lit double

365.

Where is the room? **on the first floor**

au sous-sol

366.

Or maybe **on the top floor**

au dernier étage

367.

Do I need to take the stairs to get **upstairs**

en haut

368.

Or to get **downstairs**

en bas

369.

But I have suitcases... Is there an elevator? **elevator**

ascenseur

370.

The hotel's location is important for tourists and also affects the price. A hotel can be downtown, near the train station or in the suburbs. It's always good to know

the hotel's exact address. **Where are you located?**

Où se trouve votre hôtel ?

371.

If the location isn't clear, you can always ask: **How do I get there from...?**

Pouvez-vous m'indiquer le chemin pour y arriver ?

372.

And of course, to avoid any surprises... **How much does it cost?**

Quels sont vos tarifs ?

373.

This is not always obvious... **Does the price include breakfast?**

Cela inclut-il le petit-déjeuner ?

374.

Let's review meals! first, **breakfast**

petit-déjeuner

375.

lunch

déjeuner

376.

supper

dîner

377.

We've almost forgotten the hotel clerk on the phone... what should we tell him?

We'll take the room! **Thank you, I'll be there by... 4**

Merci, j'arriverai avant... 4 heures

378.

Most countries that welcome tourists have tourist information offices. Most hotels also have a tourist desk to answer tourists' questions... **Tourist Information**

Informations touristiques

379.

Fill in the following question as needed: **Excuse me, where can I find...?**

Excusez-moi, où pourrais-je trouver...

380.

Maybe we'll separate to shop in the market. We need a... **meeting point**
point de rencontre

381.

Perhaps you have a free **map of the city**
une carte de la ville

382.

Can you help me find ... **a car rental agency**
la location de voitures

383.

Actually, maybe I'd prefer a **taxi stand** or a **bus stop**
la station de taxis / l'arrêt d'autobus

384.

A train to...
un train pour...