



RESTAURANTS

Words that you should be familiar with and know how to use in a sentence.

waitress	server	waiter	customer
reserve	serve	service	service charge
set menu	dish	menu	beverage
take-out	to go	eat out	tablecloth
cashier	cash	bill	check
cuisine	chef	cook	special
starter	entrée	salad	salad bar
appetizer	side dish	side order	salt & pepper
dining	dine	diner	dinner
coffee shop	café	canteen	cafeteria
brunch	napkin	straw	chopsticks
main course	dessert	pudding	doggie bag
fast food	pasta	vegan	vegetarian
dessert menu	wine list	hot drinks	cheese platter

Asking Questions

Do you have a table for two?	Could we see the menu, please?
Are you ready to order?	Could we see the drinks menu, please?
Would you like to see the wine list, madam?	Do you want any starters?
We are ready to order now.	Can I bring you the dessert menu?
Can I have a doggy bag, please?	Can we have the bill, please?
We would like to pay separately.	Can we split the bill?

Idioms

Food for thought - To think carefully about something.

Grab a bite to eat - To go out quickly to eat.

Sell like hot cakes - Sold quickly and in big amounts.

Put all your eggs in one basket - Depend completely on one plan or person.

In a nutshell - In a few words.

Take it with a pinch of salt - To not completely believe something that you are told.

Greatest thing since sliced bread - Describe something or someone that one thinks is very good, useful, etc.