

Ordering at a Restaurant: Cheat Sheet

| | Waiter Phrases | Customer Phrases | Vocabulary |
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| Entering the restaurant | "How may I help you?" | "Do you have a table for ___?" "Table for ___ people please" | 2, 4, 10, etc. |
| Seating the customers | "Here's the menu. Let me know if you have any questions." | [Express gratitude] "Could we get some water, please?" | |
| Ordering time | "Would you like something to drink?" "Are you ready to order food, or do you need a few more minutes?" <u>Offering Recommendations</u> <u>(Bonus):</u> "Our special today is the [Chef's Special]. It's very good!" "I recommend the [Popular Dish], it's a customer favourite." | Yes, could I please have [drink option] please." "I am ready to order. Could I get a [meal option]?" | [drink option] - Water - Wine - Juice - Beer [meal option] - Hamburger - Meatball - pasta - club sandwich - Salad - Fish and Chips |
| Modifications | "Do you have any allergies?" "No problem, I'll make sure to note that you want the [adjustments] on the side." | Yes/No "Could I have the [meal] with/without [adjustments]?" | [adjustments] - Without pickles - More cheese - More/Less spice - Add cherries |
| Updates on Order | "Your meal will be out shortly. Thank you for your patience." | "No problem." | |

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| | <p>"I'm sorry for the mix-up. I'll have that fixed right away."</p> <p>"Here is your meal of [meal name]"</p> | <p>"Excuse me, we didn't order this."</p> <p>[Express gratitude]</p> | |
| After the Meal | <p>"Here is your bill."</p> <p>"Would you like it split into separate payments?"</p> | <p>"Can we get the bill, please?"</p> <p>"Could you split the bill, please?"</p> | |
| Leaving the Restaurant | <p>"[Express gratitude]. Please come again"</p> <p>"We look forward to your next visit"</p> <p>"Have a great day/night."</p> | <p>"[Express gratitude]"</p> <p>"Have a great day/night."</p> <p>"You too"</p> | |