

Theme:

Ordering Food in a restaurant

Level:

S1

Major Skills:

Speaking

Forms:

Modal verbs ("would like" & "can")

Functions:

Ordering food in a restaurant with modal verbs ("would like" & "can") - the use of "would like" for making offers and requests in a more polite way and "can" in a more casual way.

Ordering Food in a Restaurant

Ordering food in a restaurant is one of the functions that students need to learn. It is simple as well as interesting since students can do a role play as a waiter/waitress or a customer. With the help of a pre-designed menu, the classroom situation sounds like a real one.

Objectives: to familiarize students with basic vocabulary items, e.g. starters, main course, dessert, etc., for ordering food in a restaurant;
the use of modal verbs, i.e., can and would like, to make requests and/or offers; and
fillers, e.g., certainly, you're welcome, the same to you, etc., through dialogue reading and pair work.

Level of Students: S1

Forms: Modal verbs:

Function: We can use "Would like" for making offers and requests in a more polite way.
"Can" is used in a more casual way.

Making offers:

Can I help you?

Would you like to have a starter?

Would you like anything to drink?

Can I bring you anything else?

Making requests:

I'd like to have the set lunch.

I'd like to have a bowl of chicken soup, please.

I'd like to have a glass of Coke.

I'd like to have a grilled cheese sandwich.

I'd like to have the bill.

✧ Fillers

Teachers may want to make sure students notice the use of "here you are" instead of "please" when handing someone something, which is a rather common mistake students make.

Lesson Outline:

- Ask students to name different types of food found in a restaurant. Write the vocabulary items on the board and make sure students also take notes. Teach the vocabulary items on the menu if they are not included on the board. (5 minutes)
- Give students the dialogue and menu, and ask them to read through it carefully. Point out the use of "would like" for making offers and requests, and "Can I" for making offers. Also make sure they notice the use of different fillers along with different responses. (15 minutes)
- Pair students up and ask them to use the menu to role play through ordering a meal. Both students should switch roles a number of times. (10 minutes)

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Pre-task: Dialogue reading

Kitty is going to have lunch in a restaurant. Read the following dialogue carefully to see how Kitty orders her food:

Waiter: Hello. **Can I** help you?

Kitty: Yes. **I'd like to** have lunch.

Waiter: **Would you like to** have a starter?

Kitty: Yes, **I'd like to** have a bowl of chicken soup, please.

Waiter: And what **would you like to** have for the main course?

Kitty: **I'd like to** have cheese burger.

Waiter: **Would you like** anything **to** drink?

Kitty: Yes, **I'd like to** have a glass of Coke.

Waiter (After Kitty having her lunch): **Can I** bring you anything else?

Kitty: No thank you. But **I'd like to** have the bill, please.

Waiter: Certainly.

(After a moment)

Waiter: That's \$34.

Kitty: Here you are. Thank you very much.

Waiter: You're welcome. Have a nice day.

Kitty: Thank you, same to you.

Activity: Role Play

Find your partner and use the menu to role play through ordering a meal. You may switch roles a number of times.

Menu

Starters

Soup

Chicken Soup	\$12.50
Mushroom Soup	\$12.50
Vegetable Soup	\$12.50

Bread and Salad

Garlic Bread (3 pcs)	\$13.00
Smoked Salmon Salad	\$18.50
Shrimp & Fresh Fruit Salad	\$20.50
Sesame Chicken Salad	\$16.50

Main Course

Sandwiches

Ham & cheese sandwiches	\$15.50
Tuna & egg salad sandwiches	\$16.00

Pizza (1 pc)

Beef, mushroom & onion Pizza	\$15.00
Chicken & Pork Pizza	\$14.50
Vegetarian Pizza	\$14.00
Ham, cheese & Pineapple Pizza	\$14.00

Burger

Cheese burger	\$14.50
Beef burger	\$16.00

Pasta

Lasagna	\$28.00
Shrimp & Mushroom Spaghetti	\$26.00
Super Seafood Spaghetti	\$26.00
Chicken Spaghetti	\$25.50
Salmon Spaghetti	\$25.50

Cold Drinks

Orange juice	\$12
Apple juice	\$12
Lemon Tea	\$11
Mineral Water	\$7
Soft Drinks - Coke, 7-up, Fanta	\$7

Dessert

Red Bean Sundae	\$12.00
Vanilla/chocolate Ice Cream	\$10.00
Banana Pancake	\$10.00

