68 Greetings, farewells and special expressions

Greetings*

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When we are introduced to a stranger [told the name of someone we have never met] in a formal situation, we usually shake hands and say *hello*, or perhaps hello, nice to meet you. In an informal situation, we usually just say *hello* or *hi*.

When we greet friends, there are no real rules in Britain. Men may kiss female friends [girls/women] on one cheek [side of the face], on both cheeks, or not at all. Women may kiss male friends and female friends once, twice, or not at all. We usually say things like this:

A: Hello. How are you? B: Fine, thanks. How about you? A: Hi. How's it going? / How are things? (*infml*) B: Not (so) bad, thanks. And you?

* saying hello

Farewells*

To someone we have just met for the first time we can say Goodbye. Nice to meet you.

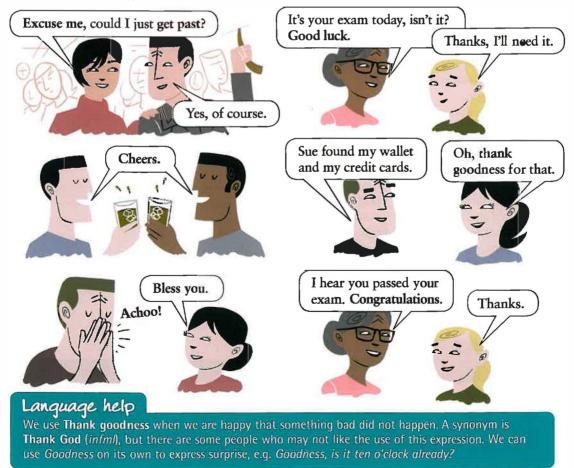
With friends we can say bye, cheers (*infml*), take care (*infml*), or see you (soon/later/ tomorrow, etc.).

When we say goodbye to a school or work friend on Friday afternoon we usually say: A: Have a nice weekend.

B: Yeah, same to you. (NOT same for you)

* saying goodbye

Expressions for special situations



English Vocabulary in Use Pre-intermediate and intermediate

68.1 Find five more phrases.

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	good take excuse bless luck you thank me goodness not care bad				
	.good luck				
68.2	Complete the dialogues.				
	1 A: How are you? B: Fine. How about you?				
	2 A: How's it? B: Not				
	3 A: Have a nice weekend. B: Yeah, you.				
	4 A: Nobody was hurt in the accident.B: Oh, for that.				
	5 A: I'll see you tomorrow. B: Yeah, care.				
	6 A: I've just passed my exam. B:				
	7 A: I'm fine, thanks. B: Good. And				
68.3	What could you say in these situations?				
	 A friend says, 'Have a good weekend'. What do you reply? Yeah, same to you. You met a new business client for the first time fifteen minutes ago, and now you are leaving. What do you say? 				
	3 You are on a crowded bus. It is your stop and you want to get off. What do you say to other passengers as you move past them?				
	4 A friend tells you they have just won some money. What do you say?				
	5 A friend is going for a job interview this afternoon. What do you say?6 You are having a drink with friends. What do you say when you hold up your glasses to				
	drink?				
	7 Someone sneezes next to you. What do you say?				
68.4	Complete the sentences.				
	 1 When you meet someone for the first time in a formal <u>situation</u>, what do you say? 2 When you are to someone in a formal situation, do you normally 				
	3 What do you do and say when you friends?				

- 5 When you say goodbye to friends, do you use informal expressions like Cheers, or Take? If so, what are they?

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Over to you

Answer the questions in Exercise 68.4 about your country. If possible, ask someone from a different country the same questions.

69 Prefixes: changing meaning

With adjectives

Prefixes, e.g. un-, dis-, im-, can be added to some adjectives to give the opposite meaning.

happy	unhappy	honest [tells the truth]	dishonest
possible	impossible	correct [right ✓]	incorrect
regular	irregular	legal [allowed by law]	illegal

Dan used all the milk but said he didn't; he's very dishonest. I got eight answers right, but two were incorrect. It's illegal in the UK to ride a motorbike without a helmet.

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Of the prefixes above, un- is the most common, and appears in a number of adjectives.

This chair is incredibly uncomfortable.

It was unnecessary for them to wait for us.

Xerxes – that's a very unusual name. [different, not common or ordinary]

I won the game; it was completely unexpected. [I didn't think I was going to win]

Marsha's hat is unbelievable. [surprising because it is either very good or very bad]

We tried to open the door, but we were unable to get in. [could not]

I need to do more exercise; I'm very unfit. [not healthy and not in good condition]

Carrick played well, and I thought he was unlucky to lose.

They're unlikely to get here before midday. [They probably won't get here before midday.] The test was unfair because some of the students had more time to do it than others. [If something is *unfair*, it does not treat people equally.]

Language help

Adding a negative prefix does not usually change the pronunciation; the stress stays the same. She was un'lucky. It's unbelievable. (NOT She was 'unlucky. It was 'unbelievable.)

With verbs

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With some verbs, these prefixes can have particular meanings.

dis- [the opposite of something]	I disagree with the others. [don't agree / have the same opinion] The plane appeared in the sky, then it disappeared behind a cloud.
un- [the opposite of an action]	I couldn't unlock the door this morning. [open the door using a key; opp lock] We had to get undressed in the cold. [take off our clothes; opp get dressed] I unpacked the bags. [took everything out of the bags; opp pack]
over- [too much]	The bank overcharged me. [asked me to pay too much money]
mis- [do something incorrectly]	I misunderstood what he said; I'm afraid my English isn't very good. I misheard her. I thought she said <i>Rita</i> , not <i>Brita</i> .
re- [again]	The teacher has asked me to rewrite my essay.

69.1 Write the opposite.

- 2able 8necessary
- 3regular
- 4bonest
- 5fair
- 6lucky

69.2 Which sentence on the right logically follows each sentence on the left?

- 1 She arrived home.
- 2 Her essay was terrible.
- 3 She decided to go to bed.
- 4 He called her name.
- 5 She's not here now.
- 6 He thought he was right.
- 7 She got to the hotel.
- 8 After I paid, I looked at the price.

- a She unpacked her suitcase.
- b She unlocked the front door.
- c She has disappeared.
- d She had overcharged me.
- e She had to rewrite it.
- f She misheard it.
- g She disagreed.
- h She got undressed.
- 69.3 Complete the dialogues so that B agrees with A using different words. You only need one word for each gap.
 - 1 A: Mireille is a strange name.
 - B: Yes, very unusual .

 - 8 A: They never tell the truth.B: I know. They're both

 - 10 A: Ann always gives more attention to Sarah than she does to Lucas.B: Yes, it's very on poor Lucas.

69.4 These words all appear in other units of the book. Do you know how to form the opposites?

pleasant	unpleasant	fashionable	
kind		reliable	
patient (adj)		friendly	•••••
suitable		tidy	
like (v)		ability	
do up		sociable	

Suffixes: forming nouns

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A Verb + noun suffix

Suffixes are used at the ends of words; they often tell you if a word is a noun, a verb, an adjective or an adverb. Two suffixes which form nouns from verbs are -ion and -ment.

verb	noun
<pre>invent [produce or design something completely new] discuss [talk about something seriously] translate [change from one language to another] relax [rest, and feel calm and comfortable] improve [get better] govern [convrol the affairs of a city or country] manage [direct or control a business] develop [grow or change and become more advanced]</pre>	invention discussion translation relaxation improvement government management development
His latest invention is a new board game.	The management has to change.

Relaxation will help you to sleep better. We had a discussion about politics.

I need money for more development. We need an improvement in the weather.

Adjective + noun suffix

The suffixes -ness and -ity often form nouns from adjectives.

adjective	noun
weak (opp strong)	weakness
happy	happiness
ill [sick, not well]	illness
fit [in good condition, usually because of exercise]	fitness
stupid (opp intelligent, clever)	stupidity
popular [liked by a lot of people]	popularity
similar [almost the same; opp different]	similarity
able	ability (opp inability)
What is his main weakness as a manager? Snowboarding is growing in popularity .	Fortunately it wasn't a serious illness. There is a similarity between them.

owboarding is growing in popularity. I'm frustrated by my inability to use computers.

tnem. Her happiness is all that matters to me.

C -er. -or and -ist

These suffixes can be added to nouns or verbs. They often describe people and jobs.

-er	-0r	-ist
ballet dancer	company director	artist, e.g. Picasso
pop singer	translator	economist
professional footballer	film actor	scientist

Language help

re'lax - relax'ation, 'stupid - stu'pidity, eco'nomics - e'conomist. (The ' symbol is before the syllable with the main stress.)

70.1 Complete the tables and mark the stress on each word. (Stress is marked on the pronunciation of a word in a dictionary.) The last two in each column are not on the opposite page, but do you know or can you guess the noun formed from them?

verb	noun	adjective	noun
dis'cuss	dis'cussion	stupid	
improve		happy	
invent		similar	
relax		popular	
hesitate		sad	
arrange		active	

70.2 Write down the names of the people who do these things as a job.

- 1 sing opera music opera singers
- 2 act in films
- 3 important managers in a company
- 4 change words from one language into another
- 5 play football
- 6 dance in ballets
- 7 paint pictures
- 8 work in science

70.3 Complete the text using words from the box with the correct suffix and spelling. One word also needs a prefix.

weak	improve	govern	economics	able	manage	discuss
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⁶⁶In his speech last night, the prime minister said that the present ¹.weakness of the economy was caused by the bad ²...... of the last ³....... and their ⁴...... to give the right kind of help for industry. He said he was now involved in detailed ⁵...... with ministers, bankers and ⁶...... about a range of different financial measures, and he hoped the people would be able to see a big ⁷...... in the economy by the end of the year. ⁹

70.4 Complete the dialogues.

- 1 A: He hasn't been well at all, has he?
 - B: No, it's quite a serious illness.
- 2 A: Are they almost the same?
- B: Yes, the is amazing.
- 3 A: Has anyone made anything like this before?
 - B: No, it's a brand-new
- 4 A: Is her new novel going to be published in other languages?B: Yes, someone is working on a right now.
- 5 A: Does your daughter enjoy drawing too?
 - B: Yes, she's a very good
- 6 A: Jung gets tired after he's been playing for about ten minutes.
- 7 A: Do you think the organisation can still grow?

71 Suffixes: forming adjectives

Common suffixes that form adjectives include: -able (comfortable), -al (musical), -y (cloudy), -ous (famous) and -ive (attractive).

A -al

Adjectives ending -al are usually formed from nouns, and often mean 'relating to the noun', e.g. a **musical** instrument (from music), a **political** issue (from politics), an **electrical** fault (related to electricity), a **personal** opinion (the opinion of one person).



¹ a holiday for the whole country ² they are important in Japanese culture

Shichi-Go-San (meaning 7, 5, 3) is an **annual** ceremony in Japan for three- and seven-year-old girls, and threeand five-year-old boys. It is on November 15, but it is not a **national**¹ holiday, so people often have it on the nearest weekend. Seven, five and three are seen as important years in the growth of a child, and the numbers also have **cultural significance**² because odd numbers (1, 3, 5, 7, 9, etc.) are lucky in Japan. This is one of the special days when the older boys and girls are allowed to wear **traditional**³ clothes: a kimono for girls and hakama trousers for boys. Now it is quite **normal**⁴ for children to wear western-style clothes at this ceremony. The children visit a shrine and are then given special sweets called *Chitose-Ame* by their parents.

³ in a style that has continued for many years ⁴ usual

B -able /abl/

This suffix forms adjectives from nouns *and* verbs, and the prefix **un**- often forms the opposite:

an enjoyable party [something that you enjoyed]

a comfortable chair (opp uncomfortable)

a suitable word or phrase [right/correct for a particular situation; *opp* unsuitable] a reliable service; reliable information [able to be trusted or believed; *opp* unreliable] fashionable clothes [popular now with many people; *opp* unfashionable] a reasonable decision or price [fair; not a bad decision or price; *opp* unreasonable] a sociable person [enjoys being with people; *opp* unsociable]

Sometimes the opposite form is the more common adjective: an **unforgettable** experience [something that cannot be forgotten] an **unbelievable** story [something that is very surprising and very difficult to believe]

-ful and -less

The suffix -ful often means 'full of' or 'having the quality of the noun', e.g. a colourful room has a lot of colour in it; a helpful person gives a lot of help; a peaceful place is calm and quiet.

The opposite meaning is sometimes formed by adding the suffix -less to the noun.

- a useful machine [having a lot of uses; opp a useless machine]
- a painful injection [giving pain and being unpleasant; opp a painless injection]
- a careful driver [drives with care and attention; opp a careless driver]

Common mistakes

The suffix is -ful (NOT full), so useful and careful (NOT usefull or earefull).

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71.1	Correct the spelling mistakes	Be careful: one word is correct.				
	1 enjoiable enjoyable	4 peacefull	7 unforgetable			
	2 carful	5 confortable	8 reasonable			
	3 relyable	6 anual	9 unbeleivable			
71.2	Match the words on the left	with the words on the right.				
	1 a national d	a injection				
	2 a useful	b mistake				
	3 a painful	c price				
	4 fashionable	d holiday				
	5 a careless	e man				
	6 an electrical	f bit of advice				
	7 an unsociable \square	g clothes				
	8 a reasonable	h fault				
		II fault				
71.3	-	om these nouns or verbs. 11–15 a	re not on the opposite page,			
	•	index if you don't know them.				
	1 tradition traditional	6 fame	11 wind			
	2 attract	7 electricity	12 danger			
	3 person 4 cloud	8 politics	13 create 14 emotion			
	5 colour	9 enjoy 10 nation	15 fog			
	5 colour		10 10g			
71.4		rm opposites with the suffix -less				
	wonderful No (wonderless)	useful	beautiful			
	careful	painful	peaceful			
71.5	Complete the sentences.					
	1 You must be very <u>careful</u> when you drive in wet weather.					
	2 She told us an story about a dog that could speak.					
	3 The tourist information office was very, and told us everything we needed to know.					
		event, held on the firs	t Monday in September.			
	5 It was very when I hit my leg against the corner of that table.					
	6 This bag is; it's too small for me to put anything in it.					
			; it's been very			
	8 Most people agreed with it, so I think it was a decision.					
	 9 This is just my opinion; others may not agree. 10 Transling agree of China and the Fey Fest may and an end of the fey first may and the fey first may					
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72 Nouns and verbs with the same form



Nouns and verbs

Many words in English function as a noun and a verb with the same form, and often a similar meaning. When you use these words as nouns, you often need to know which verbs to use with them.



She kissed me. She gave me a kiss.



He washed the car. He gave the car a wash.



He said 'Hi' and smiled at me. He said 'Hi' with a big smile.



I queued for the bus. I waited/stood in a queue for the bus.



I dreamt about Ethan. I had a dream about Ethan.



I braked. I put on the brakes.

I'll ring them / give them a ring. [phone someone] We often chat / have a chat. [have a friendly conversation; *infml*] If you don't know, guess / have a guess. [give an answer without knowing the facts] Have you replied to his email yet? Have you sent him a reply yet? It may help to diet / go on a diet. [eat less in order to lose weight] Can doctors cure this? / Have doctors found a cure for this? OR Is there a cure for this? [make someone with an illness healthy again]

A rescue attempt

B

 $\int I$ regret¹ going to Three Cliffs Bay. I promised² my mother not to go there, but I'm not very good at keeping promises. I was swimming near the rocks with friends and I dived off one of the rocks. I thought it was a good dive, but I hit another rock as I entered the

water. I hit my head and couldn't move. One of my friends attempted³ to rescue⁴ me, but couldn't reach me; someone else made an attempt to swim out to me. In the end, two of the boys pulled me to safety. I had to go to hospital, but I was lucky: there were several unsuccessful rescue attempts that summer.??

- 1 v + -ing feel sadness for something you did in the past (n regret)
- 2 v + *inf* say that you will certainly do something
- 3 v + *inf* try to do something
- ⁴ v + obj make someone safe when they have been in a dangerous situation; syn save



72.1 Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

- 1 They attempted saving / to save the boy.
- 2 I regret leave / leaving home.
- 3 We had to wait *in / on* a queue.
- 4 I'd like to go for / on a diet.
- 5 She promised *helping / to help* me.
- 6 He gave her a big kiss / a big kiss for her.
- 7 I dreamt *about / for* you.
- 8 If you don't know the answer, do / have a guess.

72.2 Replace the underlined words with a verb that keeps a similar meaning in the sentences. Make any other changes that are necessary.

1	Can you <u>phone</u> him?	Can you ring him?
	We talked for a bit.	
	The policeman <u>saved</u> her from the burning car .	
	I tried to help James with his homework.	
	Have you <u>answered</u> the letter?	
	i I am sorry that I left home.	
	I said that I would <u>definitely</u> go to the party.	
	They told us to <u>wait</u> in a queue if we wanted tickets.	
- C	They tota us to wait in a queue if we wanted tickets.	

72.3 Rewrite the sentences using the underlined verbs as nouns.

1	I'll <u>ring</u> him this evening.	I'll give him a ring this evening.	
2	I'll <u>diet</u> if necessary.	P11	
3	Did you know, or did you guess?	Did you know, or did you?	
4	He always smiles at me when I see him.	He always greets me	
5	I <u>dreamt</u> about my mother.	Ι	
6	We can't <u>cure</u> this disease.	We	
7	I <u>braked</u> but it was too late.	Ι	
8	She <u>washed</u> the kitchen windows.	She	
9	They attempted to help her.	They	
10	We sat down and chatted.	We sat down and	

- 72.4 Sometimes the same word can be a verb and noun but with a different meaning. Read the pairs of sentences. Do the verb and noun have a similar meaning, or are they different in meaning? Note: these words are not on the opposite page.
 - a We had a long <u>wait</u> for the bus. Similar
 b We <u>waited</u> a long time for the bus.
 - 2 a There's a <u>book</u> on the table.

b I had to book a table.

- **3** a I took a <u>break</u> at work.
 - b I broke my arm at work.
- 4 a How much did the holiday cost?b What was the cost of the holiday?
- 5 a I dropped the milk.
 - b I had a <u>drop</u> of milk.
- 6 a Someone behind me <u>screamed</u>.
 - b I heard a loud scream.

73 Compound nouns

Formation

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We form compound nouns by putting two words together (or three) to create a new idea. Compound nouns are very common in English.

Ice hockey is a game of hockey played on ice.

Public transport is transport that can be used by the public.

A campsite is a site for camping. [a place used for a special purpose]

A babysitter is someone who looks after young children when their parents go out.

Income tax is money you pay to the government out of your **income**. [the total amount of money you receive every year from your work and other places]

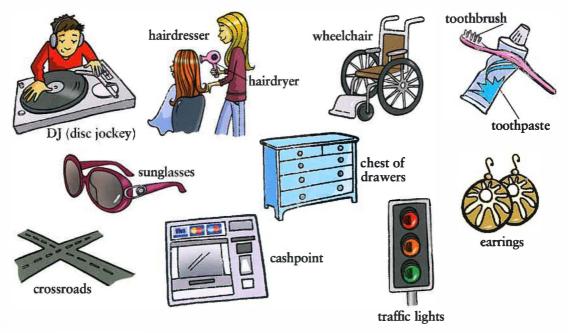
Your mother tongue is the first language you learn as a child.

A travel agent is someone whose job is to make travel arrangements for you.

A film-maker is someone who makes films for the cinema or television.

A full stop is a punctuation mark at the end of a sentence.

A haircut is the act of cutting someone's hair, e.g. That boy needs a haircut.



One word or two?

B

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D

Some compound nouns are written as one word, e.g. wheelchair; a few are written with a hyphen, e.g. T-shirt; many are written as two words, e.g. credit card, bus stop. Use a dictionary to check if necessary.

Pronunciation

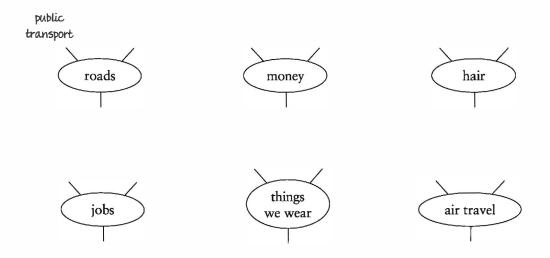
The main stress is usually on the first part, e.g. 'haircut or 'income tax, but sometimes it is on the second part, e.g. public 'transport, full 'stop. Use a dictionary to check if necessary.

Forming new compounds

One part of a compound often forms the basis for a number of compound nouns.

airport e.g. Heathrow	bus driver	ID card (identity card)
airline e.g. Lufthansa, KLM	bus stop	credit card
aircraft e.g. Airbus A380	bus station	birthday card

73.1 Complete the circles with compound nouns from the opposite page.



73.2 Complete the sentences.

- 1 I got some money from the cashpoint .
- 2 I booked our holiday through a
- 3 We stayed on a very nice, , but unfortunately our tent wasn't really big enough.
- 4 He can't walk at all now, so he has to use a to move around.
- 5 I sent her a but she never received it; it must have got lost in the post.
- 6 Liz and Mark wanted to go out, but they couldn't find a for the children.
- 7 When I'm driving I always wear if it's very bright and sunny.
- 8 Most people have to pay on their salary; the more you earn, the more you pay.
- 9 I washed my hair, then discovered that the wasn't working.

73.3 Which words are being defined?

- 1 A substance that you use to clean your teeth. toothpaste
- 2 A piece of furniture for keeping clothes in.
- 3 Someone who plays music on the radio or at discos.
- 4 A card with your name, photograph and information to prove who you are.
- 5 The first language you learn as a child.
- 6 A game played on ice using sticks.
- 7 A punctuation mark at the end of a sentence.
- 8 A card you use to pay for things.

73.4 Make new compounds using one part of the compounds below. Answers for 1–6 are on the opposite page, answers for 7–12 are in other parts of the book.

airline 1 airport 7 living room 2 full stop 8 brother-in-law 3 hairdresser 9 sunglasses _____ 4 credit card 10 traffic lights 11 wheelchair 5 toothpaste 12 film-maker 6 bus driver