UNIT 1

Greetings and Small Talk

TOPIC PREVIEW

1 **Look at the pictures. Write the correct greeting under each picture. Use words from the box.**

bow	hug	kiss	shake hands

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

2 **Complete the conversation. Write the letter on the line.**

A: You look familiar. Have we met before?

B: ____ 1.

A: Aren't you from Mexico?

B: ____ 2.

A: You know, I think we met at Joan's house last weekend.

B: ____ 3.

A: Yes, that's right. What have you been up to?

B: ____ 4.

a. Now I remember. You work with Joan.

b. As a matter of fact, I am.

c. Not too much.

d. I don't think so. I'm not from around here.

3 **Read the conversation in Exercise 2 again. Circle the subjects they talk about.**

family religion job age weather nationality

4 WHAT ABOUT YOU? **When you meet someone new, what subjects do you talk about? Put a ✓ next to the topics you usually talk about. Put an ✗ next to the topics you don't like to talk about.**

____ 1. my family
____ 2. my religion
____ 3. the weather
____ 4. my age
____ 5. my hometown or country
____ 6. sports
____ 7. politics
____ 8. my job
____ 9. other: _____

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5 CHALLENGE. **Write do's and don'ts for a visitor to your country about how to greet and address people, and what to talk about and what not to talk about.**

LESSON 1

6 **Complete each sentence with the present perfect. Use contractions when possible.**

1. A: _____ (you / have) any coffee today? B: Yes, _____ (I / have) two cups.
2. A: _____ (you / be) to any foreign countries? B: Yes, _____ (we / be) to Spain and Morocco.
3. A: _____ (you / exercise) this week? B: Yes, _____ (I / go) to the gym twice.
4. A: _____ (you / read) any good books lately? B: No, _____ (I / be) very busy.

7 **WHAT ABOUT YOU? Complete the questions with the correct form of the verbs from the box. Use each verb only once. Then write your own responses. When you answer yes, add specific information, using the simple past tense.**

do	be	eat	meet	see

1. "Have you _____ any good movies lately?"
   YOU _____.
2. "Have you _____ any famous people?"
   YOU _____.
3. "Have you _____ to Europe?"
   YOU _____.
4. "Have you _____ lunch today?"
   YOU _____.
5. "Have you _____ your homework today?"
   YOU _____.

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8 **Complete the conversation with the present perfect or the simple past tense. Use contractions when possible.**

Joe: _____ this tour before? I hear it's great.
1. you / take

Trish: Yes, I have. I _____ to Russia with this group two years ago.
2. come

It _____ a wonderful trip. _____ here before?
3. be 4. you / be

Joe: Yes, I _____ Moscow in 2002, but I _____ much of the city.
5. visit 6. not / see

It _____ a business trip. I'm really excited about *this* trip!
7. be

Trish: Me too. I _____ the brochures several times last night.
8. read

I can't wait to see all these places again. By the way,

_____ Peter, our tour guide?
9. you / meet

Joe: No, but I'd like to.

Trish: Come. I'll introduce you.

LESSON 2

9 **Complete the sentences. Circle the correct words.**

1. Have you (ever / yet) visited the art museums in Paris?
2. I haven't been to the opera (already / yet).
3. Who is she? I haven't seen her (ever / before).
4. Has Evan (yet / ever) tried ceviche (before / already)?
5. We've only been here one day, but we've (already / yet) taken a lot of pictures.
6. I'm sorry. I haven't finished the job (already / yet).
7. He's only fourteen years old, but he's (already / yet) traveled all over the world.

10 **Complete each conversation. Write questions or answers in the present perfect. Use <u>ever</u>, <u>before</u>, <u>already</u>, or <u>yet</u>.**

1. A: Has Ted taken a tour of the Statue of Liberty yet?
   B: Yes. He _____.
2. A: _____?
   B: No. Actually this is my first time to London.
3. A: _____?
   B: No, but they plan to go to the top of the Sears Tower tomorrow.
4. A: Has Lisa ever tried Turkish food?
   B: Yes. She _____ several times.

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11 **Look at Anne Marie and Gilbert's To-Do List for their vacation in Toronto. Anne Marie has checked what they've already done.**

- ✓ – take a tour of the University
- ✓ – meet Michel for dinner on Spadina Avenue
- – visit the Bata Shoe Museum
- ✓ – see a musical downtown
- – take a boat trip around Toronto Harbor
- ✓ – go shopping at the Eaton Centre

Now finish Anne Marie's postcard to her friend. Write what she and Gilbert have already done and what they haven't done yet. Use the present perfect.

Dear Agnes, Sunday, August 6

Gilbert and I are having a wonderful time in Toronto.

We've done so many things! _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

See you when we get back.

Love,

Anne Marie

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12 **Read the information about greetings in Asia. Then read the statements and check true, false, or no information.**

GETTING GREETINGS RIGHT

The traditional greeting in Asia is a bow. In fact, there are different types of bows used in greetings throughout Asia. For example, in Japan, China, and Korea, people bow, but in Japan the bow is usually lower. In India and nearby countries in South Asia, most people put their hands together and bow just a little.

While each Asian culture has its own traditional special greeting, these days, don't be surprised if people in Asia just shake your hand.

Source: www.factmonster.com and *Kiss, Bow, or Shake Hands.*

	true	false	no information
1. People in China, Japan, and Korea bow when they greet someone.	☐	☐	☐
2. In Korea, people usually bow lower than in Japan.	☐	☐	☐
3. In India, you shouldn't touch the person you are greeting.	☐	☐	☐
4. People in many places in South Asia use a similar greeting.	☐	☐	☐

13 WHAT ABOUT YOU? **Complete these sentences about yourself.**

1. In this country, the most common greeting is _____.
2. When I greet someone for the first time, I usually _____.
3. When I greet a family member or close friend, I usually _____.

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History of the Handshake

Shaking hands was a way of making sure that people were not carrying a weapon such as a knife or sword. When you shook hands, you were saying, "Look, I don't have a weapon. I trust you. Let's be friends."

Source: www.canadaone.com

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LESSON 4

14 **George Ruez is a true adventurer. He has done a lot of things in his life. Write questions about George. Use the present perfect with ever or before.**

1. Has George ever been to Paris ? (Paris)
2. _____ ? (horseback riding)
3. _____ ? (Mt. Everest)
4. _____ ? (guinea pig)
5. _____ ? (octopus)
6. _____ ? (Mt. Kilimanjaro)
7. _____ ? (sailing)
8. _____ ? (Buenos Aires)

15 **Look at the pictures showing some of the things George has done. Now answer the questions from Exercise 14. Use the present perfect with yet or already.**

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.
4. _____.
5. _____.
6. _____.
7. _____.
8. _____.

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A **Read the first sentence. Then decide if the second sentence is true (T) or false (F).**

1. I've never been to Lebanon. ____ I went to Lebanon a long time ago.
2. He hasn't been to Barbados yet. ____ He was in Barbados last week.
3. She's already left for Tokyo. ____ She is going to Tokyo.
4. She has never been to Mexico before. ____ This is her first visit to Mexico.
5. We have visited Bangkok several times. ____ We've been to Bangkok before.

B **Look at the answers. Write questions with What (OR Which).**

1. A: _____?
   B: I've tried Hungarian food and German food.
2. A: _____?
   B: We've been to Morocco and Egypt.
3. A: _____?
   B: He's gone to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Modern Art.
4. A: _____?
   B: She's studied Spanish and English.
5. A: _____?
   B: I've visited Budapest and Prague.
6. A: _____?
   B: We've seen two operas—*Carmen* and *Othello*.

C **Complete the conversation with the present perfect or the simple past tense. Use contractions when possible.**

A: Welcome to Rome! When _____ you _____?
1. arrive

B: A few days ago.

A: Oh, that's great. _____ you _____ sightseeing yet?
2. go

B: Yes, a little. I _____ Piazza Navona already and I _____ a tour of the Coliseum yesterday.
3. see 4. take

A: Great! _____ you _____ to Vatican City yet?
5. be

B: Yes, as a matter of fact. I _____ there on Thursday.
6. go

A: How about Italian food? _____ you _____ any real Italian pizza or pasta yet?
7. eat

B: I _____ pasta with seafood last night. But I _____ any calamari yet. I _____ so many times that's something I shouldn't miss.
8. have 9. not try 10. hear

A: Oh, yes! The calamari here is excellent. And Rome is a great city. Enjoy your stay!

B: Thanks.

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D **Rewrite the sentences, using the word(s) in parentheses.**

1. Have you been to Taiwan? (before)

   _____?

2. Josefina hasn't had her lunch. (yet)

   _____.

3. He was born in Egypt, but he hasn't seen the pyramids. (never)

   _____.

4. Has Gus taken a tour of the city? (before)

   _____?

5. I haven't tried octopus. (never)

   _____.

6. Have you had anything to eat? (yet)

   _____?

7. Have you been to the outdoor market? (ever, before)

   _____?

8. Prague is so beautiful! I haven't been here. (never, before)

   _____.

9. She's finished college. (already)

   _____.

E WHAT ABOUT YOU? **Answer the questions with sentences about yourself. Give details about your experiences.**

1. "What's an unusual food you've tried?"

   YOU _____.

2. "What's an interesting country or city you've been to?"

   YOU _____.

3. "What's an exciting sport you've played?"

   YOU _____.

4. "What's a wonderful book you've read?"

   YOU _____.

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JUST FOR **FUN**

1 **FIGURE IT OUT! Rearrange the letters of the following phrase to form the name of a famous building in England. (Hint: 3 words)**

ONE OLD FORT NOW

2 **The drawings show gestures and customs that should or should not be used in certain countries. Unscramble the letters to form the name of each country.**

1. In _____, you should never touch a person, even a child, on the head. (ADLITAHN)

2. In _____, open a gift immediately and thank the person who gave it to you. (RCEDAUO)

3. In _____, you should cover your mouth when you're using a toothpick. (AWINAT)

4. In the _____, it's better not to ask people personal questions such as how much money they make. (DTEIUN NGMIKOD) (2 words)

5. In _____, you should take off your shoes before entering someone's home. (AANPJ)

6. In _____, putting a coat on a chair in a restaurant is considered rude. (SUASIR)

Answer to Exercise 1: TOWER OF LONDON

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