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## Conversation for Beginners



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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- different greetings around the world;
- the importance of greetings;
- expressions about greetings.

### Greetings



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## Key Sentences



1. Thankfully the man's **handshake** was neither firm nor limp.

2. I will always remember the **cheek kissing** with my favorite artist.



3. Japanese people **bow** to show respect to someone they have just met or knew.

4. **Waving** one's **hand** is a common greeting in many countries.



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## Conversation

John: I will always remember my handshake with Cristiano.

Yuka: You are so lucky to meet him. Weren't you nervous?

John: I was. Thankfully my handshake was neither firm nor limp.

Yuka: I'm happy for you. You must be really happy.

John: Thank you, Yuka. It was a dream come true to meet him personally. He was the kindest!

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- the flags of some Asian countries;
- what the colors and designs represent;
- useful expressions to talk about flags.

Flags of Some  
Asian Countries



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## Key Sentences



1. I usually see **the Indian flag** in schools and government buildings.



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2. The color blue means peace on **the Philippine flag**.



3. I am curious about the meaning of the colors in **the Thai flag**.

4. Koreans stay standing when **the Korean flag** is being raised to the pole.



## Conversation

Yuka: I think the colors of the flags have meanings.

John: Yes, like blue means water and white means peace.

Yuka: That's interesting. I want to learn more about it.

John: I am curious about the Philippines.

Yuka: Let's check it out.

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- the flags of some Western countries ;
- why some flags are confusing;
- useful expressions to talk about flags.

Flags of Some  
Western Countries



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## Key Sentences



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1. The colors and designs of **the French flag** and the Thai flags are alike.

2. I get confused about **the American flag** and the United Kingdom flag.



3. **The Canadian flag** has a maple leaf design in the center.

4. **The first United Kingdom flag** was created in 1606.



## Conversation

Yuka: Sometimes I get confused about the flags of different countries.

John: Me too. The American flag and the United Kingdom flag are alike.

Yuka: Yes, it's very confusing. The colors are the same and even the designs are similar.

John: You're right. My friend, James can easily remember almost any country's flag.

Yuka: He must be smart. I wonder how he does it.

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- currencies of different countries;
- some information of each currency;
- expressions about currencies.

### Currency



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## Key Sentences



1. I'd like to exchange 300 **euros** to dollars.

2. What's the exchange rate for **pounds**?



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3. How much is 50000 **yen** in dollars?



4. 1000 **dirhams** is equivalent to 204.67 in pounds.



## Conversation

Yuka: John, do you know where the nearest bank is?

John: Yes, it's just a block away. Why do you ask?

Yuka: I'd like to exchange some yen to dollars.

John: Oh, so how much is the exchange rate for yen today?

Yuka: I check the internet and it says that 1 yen is equivalent to 0.0096 in US dollar.

John: The value is better today than yesterday. Come on. I'll go with you.

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- some famous natural landmarks;
- how to describe each natural landmark;
- useful expressions about natural landmarks.

Natural  
Landmarks



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## Key Sentences



1. The **Grand Canyon** is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

2. The **Amazon Rainforest** is famous for being the largest rainforest in the world.

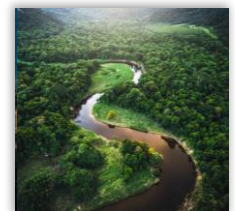


3. I have been to **Yellowstone Park** with my family.

4. Because of its high salt content, there are no life forms in the **Dead Sea**.



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## Conversation

Yuka: Look at this, John. This place is breathtaking.

John: Oh. It's the Grand Canyon. I have been there once. It's a famous landmark in Arizona, USA.

Yuka: Really? What is it famous for?

John: It is famous for its wonderful landscape, and it's also one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Yuka: Wow! That's so cool. I'd like to go there.



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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- four different man-made landmarks;
- how to give a recommendation;
- expressions related to traveling.

### Man-made Landmarks



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## Key Sentences



1. I wonder if you know the way from here to **the Louvre Museum**.

2. I recommend **Angkor Wat** if you're into religious sites.



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3. **The Colosseum** is known for being the largest amphitheater in the world.



4. Please tell me more about your trip to **the Buckingham Palace**.



## Conversation

- Yuka: John, I will travel to Europe this year. I wonder if you can help me with my vacation plans.  
John: Sure. What kind of place do you want to visit?  
Yuka: I'm into historical places. Can you recommend something?  
John: I recommend the Louvre Museum in Paris. It is known for the most famous paintings in the world like the Mona Lisa.  
Yuka: Oh. I think that's a good idea. Could you please tell me more about this place?  
John: Sure

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- four different entertainment spots;
- how to invite someone;
- expressions use in daily conversations.

Entertainment Spots



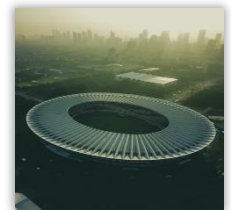
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## Key Sentences



1. I'm supposed to try the fish spa in the **aquarium**.

2. I heard that a new **stadium** will be built in my town.



3. I fancy watching an action film tonight. Let's go to the **movie theater**.



4. I've booked tickets for the grand opening of the **amusement park**.



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## Conversation

John: Hello, Yuka? This is John. I'm sorry to call so late.

Yuka: John, what happened? We were supposed to meet at 9.

John: I'm really sorry. My car broke down. Are you still at the movie theater now?

Yuka: No. I heard it's going to rain this afternoon so I rushed home.

John: I see. Do you fancy going out on the weekend? I've booked two tickets for Sea World.

Yuka: Sure! I'm free on Sunday.



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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- the names of each national costume;
- the origin and when do natives use them;
- useful expressions about the various national costumes.

### National Costumes



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## Key Sentences



1. I'd like to wear the **dirndl** costume for the party.

2. The **kilt** looks really cool. It fits me perfectly.

3. It's more comfortable to wear **lederhosen** than a kilt.

4. The **Hanbok** looks amazing. You should try it on.



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## Conversation

John: Yuka, have you decided what to wear for the party?

Yuka: I'd like to wear a dirndl. How about you?

John: It will fit you perfectly. I can't decide between a kilt and lederhosen.

Yuka: Hmm. I think a pair of lederhosen is more comfortable than a kilt.

John: You're right. But I think I would look cool on a kilt.

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- four different life events;
- how to describe these events;
- expressions use in daily conversations.

### Life Events



# 2

## Key Sentences



1. I passed the TOEIC **examination** on my second try.

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2. Congratulations on your **wedding**!

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3. I am excited about your first **job**.

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4. You were the first one to greet me on my **birthday**.

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## Conversation

John: You look happy today!

Yuka: I am happy because I passed the English exam.

John: Wow. Congratulations, Yuka!

Yuka: Thank you, John. You are the first one to congratulate me.

John: You're welcome, Yuka. I'm happy for you.

Yuka: That's very kind of you, John.

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## Language Target

In this lesson, we will talk about:

- four different celebrations and festivals;
- when these festivals are celebrated;
- expressions used in daily conversations.

### Celebrations and Festivals



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## Key Sentences



1. My favorite festival is **Halloween**.

2. What do you like about **Valentine's Day**?



3. **Thanksgiving Day** is usually on the last Thursday in November. Families get together for a meal.

4. We celebrate **New Year's Day** on the first day of January.



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## Conversation

- Yuka: What is your favorite festival in the USA, John?  
John: My favorite festival is Thanksgiving Day  
Yuka: What do you like about it?  
John: It's a day when families and friends get together for a meal.  
Yuka: When do you celebrate it?  
John: We celebrate it on the fourth week of November.



In this module, we will review the:

## Key Words

### Greetings

handshake  
cheek kiss  
bow  
wave hand

### Some Asian Countries' Flags

Indian flag  
Philippine flag  
Thai flag  
Korean flag

### Some Western Countries' Flags

French flag  
United Kingdom  
flag  
Canadian flag  
American flag

### Currency

euro  
pound  
yen  
dirham

### Natural Landmarks

Grand Canyon  
Amazon  
Rainforest  
Yellowstone  
Dead Sea

### Man-made Landmarks

Louvre  
Museum  
Angkor Wat  
Colosseum  
Buckingham  
Palace

### Entertainment Spots

aquarium  
stadium  
movie theater  
amusement  
park

### National Costumes

dirndl  
kilt  
lederhosen  
hanbok

### Life Events

examination  
wedding  
first job  
birthday

### Celebrations and Festivals

Halloween  
Valentine's Day  
Thanksgiving  
New Year

## Key Sentences

1 Waving one's hand is a common greeting in Vietnam.

2 I recommend Angkor Wat if you're into religious sites.

3 I'd like to exchange 300 euros to dollars.

4 Please tell me more about your trip to the desert.

5 Congratulations on your wedding!