

## Unit 12

### Eating Out



### Asking the Concierge for Restaurant Advice

#### Listening for information (1)

- Listen to the dialogue between Naomi and the concierge and try to understand it without looking at the words in your book.
- Now you can look at the Key Words while the teacher explains them.

**Naomi:** Hello. I need your help again, if you don't mind. I'd like to eat out at a good restaurant tomorrow evening. Could you recommend one?

**Concierge:** I'm always at your service! What is your budget for the dinner?

**N:** I'm prepared to spend up to £ 50.

**C:** Well, in that case, may I suggest QQ Brasserie? It's a very popular tourist spot, with great food and music.

**N:** That sounds good! Could you tell me how to get there?

**C:** Of course, madam. It's in the City of London. Take the Tube to Bank station. It's only 5 minute walk from the station. The address is 18 Lombard Street, London EC3V 9AA.

**N:** Do you know the phone number?

**C:** Let me check my book. . . Yes, it's 20-7929-6611. And their opening hours are from 5:30pm to 10pm.

**N:** Thank you very much. I'll call them and get a reservation.

#### Key Words

**recommend**

**be at sb's service**

**budget**

**be prepared to**

advise: say that something is good

be available to help someone

the money available

be willing to

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### Getting a Reservation at a Restaurant



#### Listening for information (2)

- Listen to the dialogue between Naomi and a restaurant staff and try to understand it without looking at the words in your book.
- Now you can look at the Key Words while the teacher explains them.

**Restaurant Staff:** Thank you for calling QQ Brasserie. How may I help you?

**Naomi:** I'd like to reserve a table for one.

**RS:** For which day and for what time?

**N:** It's for tomorrow at 7 o'clock.

**RS:** And the name on the reservation?

**N:** Abe. A-B-E.

**RS:** And a phone number where we can reach you, please?

**N:** 20-7850-0500.

**RS:** Okay. Let me repeat back to you the information I have. This is a reservation for tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. A table for one. Ms Abe. Is that correct?

**N:** Yes, that's right.

**RS:** Very good. We'll reserve a table for you.

**N:** Thank you very much.

**RS:** We'll see you tomorrow, Ms Abe. Thank you.

### Key Words

**correct** *having no mistakes*  
**Ms (UK) =Ms. (US)** *used before a woman's family name when she doesn't want to be called 'Mrs' or 'Miss', or when you don't know whether she is married or not.*

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### Ordering a Meal



### Listening for information (3)

- Listen to the dialogue between Naomi and a waiter and try to understand it without looking at the words in your book.
- Now you can look at the Key Words while the teacher explains them.

**Waiter:** Good evening and welcome to QQ Brasserie. Are you ready to order?

**Naomi:** Yes, I think so. I'll have home made soup as a starter.

**W:** And for the main course?

**N:** I'll have the fillet steak, please.

**W:** Well-done, medium or rare?

**N:** Medium, please. With potatoes and vegetables.

**W:** And would you like anything to drink?

**N:** I'd like some red wine. Is there a good French wine you can recommend?

**W:** Well, the Asda Beaujolais 2009 is very nice.

**N:** All right, a bottle of the Asda Beaujolais then, please.

**W:** Thank you.

**W:** Is everything all right, madam?

**N:** Yes, thank you. That was very nice.

**W:** Would you like a dessert?

**N:** Just a single espresso, please. And could I have the bill, please?

**W:** Certainly, madam.

### Key Words

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| <b>meal</b>         | <i>any of the regular daily occasions when food is eaten, or the food you eat on that occasion</i> |
| <b>ready</b>        | <i>prepared</i>  |
| <b>starter (UK)</b> | <i>=appetizer (US) ; a small amount of food eaten at the start of a meal</i>                       |
| <b>well-done</b>    | <i>meat cooked thoroughly</i>  |
| <b>rare</b>         | <i>meat cooked for a short time and still red</i>  |
| <b>dessert</b>      | <i>sweet food served after the main part of a meal</i>   |
| <b>bill</b>         | <i>= check</i>   |

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