Causes of Climate Change



I feel sorry for the people living close to the ocean.

Why? Because of climate change?

Yes. With rising sea levels and more intense storms, they are in danger.

I think it's a complex issue. In many places humans are also directly responsible for some of the dangers.

What do you mean?

For example through the deforestation of mangrove forests. The mangroves used to be a natural barrier against storms.

I didn't know that. Where do mangroves grow?

They grow for example in Asia. And lots of them have been cut down. People in these areas now suffer more from storms and floods.





I see. I guess its easier to just blame climate change instead of looking at the actual problem.

But you are also right. They will probably suffer even more once climate change comes into full effect.

Makes sense. Once the sea level actually significantly rises, they really have no protection.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>

Effects of Climate Change



Do you think climate change is already affecting us?

Yes, there are studies that show changes in the last 30 years.

Why in the last 30 years?

Climate is defined as a period of at least 30 years. So, to be able to look at changes, we have to look at the last 30 years.

That's interesting. I didn't know that. And what actually changed?

Many things have been changing. Glaciers and ice caps are melting, and storms are becoming more intense.

But is that really so bad?

We don't really know. Humans have adapted to climate in agriculture and many other areas. Fast changes are di

cult to adapt to.





I'm not sure I understand. Can you give an example?

For example, less rain and more droughts. Farmers will have to change what they produce because their old crops won't get enough water anymore.

That makes sense. My uncle is a corn farmer and highly specialized. I don't think he could just change his whole farm without losing a lot of money.

And that is just one example. That's why many people are scared.



Practice the Dialogue



Listen to the Dialogue

Fridays For Future



Do you want to come to the next Friday for Future demonstration with me?

I thought they are only for school children?

No, they are open to everyone who cares about climate change.

I'm still not convinced. I mean what are they actually protesting?

For their own future. They want politicians to be more active and actually stand by their word.

I guess you're right. Many promises from the Paris Climate Agreement have not been kept.

Exactly. They need a reminder that empty words won't satisfy us anymore.

Okay, you've convinced me. I'll join you. Have you been before?





Yes, a couple of times. It's always a peaceful demonstration and the posters are really creative.

Are you going to make a sign as well?

I already have one with a polar bear on it. If you want, I can make you one too?

Thanks for the offer, but I think I'll go without a sign for my first demonstration.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



Listen to the Dialogue

Fridays for Future Discussion



Have you heard about the "Fridays for Future" demonstrations?

You mean the children and students skipping school?

Yes, they are demonstrating for more political commitment and against climate change.

I think they could also demonstrate without skipping school. They are just lazy.

I don't think they are lazy. They just wanted to grab everybody's attention, and it worked admittedly.

They should focus on studying and leave the big decisions to people who know what they are doing.

I think you are being a bit harsh. It's their future as well, and they want politicians to do more for that future.

But what does protesting against climate change even mean? They don't have any answers either.





If you actually listened to them, you would have heard some of their demands.

If you know them so well, then name some.

They want politicians to commit to the Paris Climate Agreement or the coal phase-out.

I still think they should grow up first.

It's hopeless to have a productive discussion with you about this topic.

Sorry, but it's my opinion.



Practice the Dialogue



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Plastic Waste



I'm really happy that many countries ban the use of plastic bags.

Why? They are so convenient.

They are convenient, but they also create a lot of pollution when they are produced, as well as a lot of trash.

I don't think a plastic bag or two really matters. They get recycled.

If everybody uses just a couple of bags a week, then that makes more than a hundred bags a year.

But so what? As long as they get recycled, then I don't see the problem.

But they don't always get recycled, and even if they do, it uses a lot of energy. And plastic can't be infinitely recycled like glass.

I don't know. I haven't really thought about it that way.





Many people don't. That's why the ban on plastic bags is great. It makes people think.

You do have a point. I guess I'm just too lazy to bring my cotton bags with me every time I go shopping.

I just bring a big box. It's much easier to carry my groceries anyways.

You are like my voice of reason. I'll have to make a bigger effort.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



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Marine Pollution



I feel so bad when I see the videos of turtles and birds eating plastic.

Me too. They become deformed or die because their stomachs are full of it.

What can we do to help them? We aren't even close to the ocean.

The biggest amount of plastic trash in the ocean actually comes from old fishing nets.

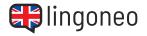
But I love eating fish.

I do too. But maybe its time to eat less fish? And not use single use plastic bottles?

I never understood why people buy water in plastic bottles if they don't have to.

I don't get it either. It's so easy to bring my water bottle.





Maybe I should write an article for my local newspaper and encourage people to use water bottles.

That's a great way to become involved. If everybody just changes their habits a little bit, a lot can be changed.



Practice the Dialogue



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Renewable Energies



I'm installing some solar panels on my roof this week.

Really? I've been thinking about it as well to cut down on my electricity bill.

That's one reason why I'm doing it. I also don't want to use electricity from coal or nuclear power plants anymore.

But what are you going to do at night?

I'm still connected to the grid. But I'll try to let things like the washing machine or the dryer run during the day with solar electricity.

Good idea. Are the panels expensive?

They aren't cheap, but electricity is so expensive that they will pay themselves off in a couple of years.

The city is also building a couple of wind mills in the hills.





I'm glad they are finally living up to their promises and are investing in renewable energies.

Me too. Oil and coal are eventually going to run out. We can't just ignore it and leave it to future generations.

I see we are on the same page with this topic. It was fun talking to you.



Practice the Dialogue



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Plastic Packaging



What do you think about plastic in grocery stores?

What do you mean?

Most fruit and vegetables are covered in plastic at the store.

I dislike that as well. I don't think bananas need an extra plastic wrapper.

Why do the stores do that?

Maybe to make the long transport easier?

They should just use paper.

Wrapping everything in paper wouldn't be much better either.

Why? Isn't paper better?





Because producing paper also creates a lot of waste and pollution.

We should just go to our local market. The produce there isn't wrapped in plastic or paper.

Great idea. We would also support our local farmers!



Practice the Dialogue



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I want my city to build more bike lanes!

Why more bike lanes? Do you bike a lot?

I use my bike every day. I love biking.

Do you also bike to work?

Yes, it is a good daily exercise.

Do you never use cars?

No, I don't need a car in my city.

I need more exercise, maybe I should get a bike too.

Do you want my old bike? I don't need it anymore.

Yes, thank you! Then I can bike to work too.



Biking



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





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Meat Consumption



Are you a vegetarian?

No, but I don't eat a lot of meat.

Why don't you eat a lot of meat?

Because the meat production is bad for the environment.

Why is it bad?

It produces a lot of CO2 and also uses a lot of water and land.

I don't think cows use more water, than a farmer for vegetables.

You are right. But you forget the water for the cows' feed.

Now I understand. You also need water to grow the feed for the animals.





Yes, and that is why I don't eat a lot of meat.

I'm also trying to eat less meat. Also because of the animal welfare.

That's great to hear. Animal welfare is another reason for me too.



Practice the Dialogue



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Electric Cars



I'm considering getting an electric car. What do you think about them?

I'm not sure. I like the idea of using electricity instead of gas.

Me too. But I read that they emit more emissions when produced.

And you need to use electricity from renewable energies.

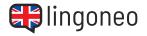
Yes, I read that too. Only when you use energy from renewable sources does an electric car make a difference.

I think the biggest problem is the batteries. They still need improvement but more people buying one will increase pressure on the companies.

I guess you're right. And my electricity comes from a green provider.

Do you plan to drive long distances with the car?





No, not really. I just need it to get to work and run errands.

The infrastructure for electric cars is also constantly improving. I think you should go for it!

Thank you for all your input!



Practice the Dialogue



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Reducing Consumption



What can we do to produce less CO2?

I think we should reduce our consumption.

How? We can't really eat less, right?

We can't eat less, but we can stop throwing away so much food.

That's true. Our society throws away so much good food.

We could also stop buying new clothes multiple times a year.

You have lots of good ideas. What else can we do?

In general, we should always ask ourselves if we need to buy something new.

I was just thinking about buying a new bike, but maybe I shouldn't now.





How about buying a used bike?

Good idea. I will do that. Thanks for all the input.

No worries, you are welcome!



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>

Recycling



Do you recycle?

No, I just throw everything in one trash can.

Why don't you recycle?

I don't know. I don't think recycling is doing much.

What do you mean?

A lot of our recycling is being burned or shipped abroad to developing countries.

That is true, but not all of it is being burned or shipped away.

Maybe. I just don't want to waste my time with sorting trash when it doesn't get recycled anyways.

But if nobody recycles, nothing will ever change.

Maybe you're right.





I think you should start recycling!

I will think about it. I guess doing nothing will change nothing.



Practice the Dialogue



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Fossil Fuels



What are fossil fuels?

They are natural fuels formed in the past like coal or natural gas.

Is oil a fossil fuel?

Yes, petroleum is a fossil fuel.

Why do people not like them?

Because they produce CO2 and pollution when they are burned.

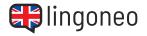
Is that the only reason?

Nature is also destroyed when they are extracted.

Then why do we use them?

Because we can produce energy very cheaply with them.





You mean we burn coal and petroleum to produce electricity?

Yes, most of our electricity comes from fossil fuels.



Practice the Dialogue



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Sharing Economy



Have you already signed up for City Car?

No. What is City Car?

It is a car sharing service. You can rent cars from them.

Why wouldn't I just rent from a regular car rental company?

They also allow you to rent for very short periods of time and are based all over the city.

You mean I could use their cars to go grocery shopping?

Exactly. It's called car sharing. That way less people need to have their own cars.

I've heard of that before. It's kind of like Airbnb, right?

Yes. Just with cars instead of rooms.





I like this idea of a share economy. I have many things I barely ever use.

Me too. If we share things, we can save money and resources.



Practice the Dialogue



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Rainforest



I worry about the rainforest.

Why about the rainforest? It is far away.

It is the home of many animals and plants.

Why is it in danger?

It's getting smaller every day to make more space for farming and the paper industries.

Why do farms need more space?

The world needs more soy or palm oil.

Is it really that bad?

Yes it is. About 200,000 acres are destroyed every day.

That is a lot! Now I understand why you worry.



Rainforest





Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>



Biodiversity



Do you want to sign for the bees?

Sign for the bees?

The honey bee population is dying really fast right now.

That doesn't sound good. Why is that?

Scientists are not sure yet. Some think because of pesticides.

I love honey. I don't want the bees to die.

It would be very bad for bio-diversity. Our ecosystem needs the bees.

Why do we need bees? What else do they do other than make honey?

They pollinate fruit and vegetables.





I forgot about that. Without them there would be much less produce, right?

Some fruits would not grow at all without bees.

I couldn't eat cherries anymore? Where do I sign?



Practice the Dialogue



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Water as a Resource



Have you heard that some cities are sinking?

What do you mean with sinking?

Cities like Jakarta in Indonesia are sinking up to 15cm a year.

What? That is crazy! Why are they sinking?

It's because the city is pumping up too much of the ground water.

That sounds really bad.

Yes, it is. They are really struggling with too many people in such a small area.

I guess people need to be more careful with water.

Yes, it's really important to conserve water.





You're right. Everybody needs water. But we use too much and pollute it.

We should all pay more attention to saving water!



Practice the Dialogue



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Enivornmental Pollution



Have you heard? There was an oil spill last week from the new pipeline.

Again? I think companies have to do better to protect the environment

I agree. Many pollute the nature around them.

They should not be allowed to pollute the environment.

I don't understand why they can get away with it.

Me neither. They should be responsible for every part of production.

They make a profit while polluting the environment, and the taxpayer has to clean it up.

It makes me sad that all they care about is money.

Me too. All the animals, plants, and even humans will suffer from this oil spill.





But what can we do?

We have to let the company and the government know that we are not happy!

Good idea. I will try to organize a local talk.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>

Organic Food



I only buy organic food.

Do you think organic is better than regular food?

Yes. Less pesticides are used to produce it.

But it is very expensive.

I think it is worth it to spend more money for high quality food.

But is organic food really higher quality?

Organic farming is also better for biodiversity and ground water.

I guess some things are better, but it still doesn't change the quality.

I just don't want to eat food that has been treated with regular pesticides.





I understand your point. There is a lot of uncertainty around food production right now.

Exactly. And until we know more about chemical pesticides and fertilizers, I will trust organic food.

I guess it won't hurt to buy organic if you can afford it.



Practice the Dialogue



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Climate Technologies



What is the difference between mitigation and adaption technologies?

Adaption technologies help people adapt to the changes in weather, like rainfall or droughts.

Can you give an example?

Sure. Drip irrigation is a good example. Farmers adapt to having less rainfall and only drip water directly on the plant.

And what about mitigation technologies?

They are trying to limit or prevent the emission of greenhouse gases to mitigate climate change.

That makes sense. Then solar panels would be a mitigation technology?

Yes, but also better insulation in homes or cooking stoves that use less energy.





I guess we will really need those technologies in the future, right?

If the climate continues to change this fast, we will definitely need to adapt.

I'm considering investing in solar panels to save money on my utility bill.

And while you're saving money, your



Practice the Dialogue



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Global Inequality



I think it's unfair how companies take advantage of the countries in the global south.

How do they take advantage?

They produce products under bad working conditions and don't pay much.

What kind of work? Can you give an example?

For example, the clothing industries in Asia.

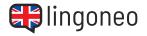
But they provide jobs and income to the people there.

That's true, but if they would pay a decent wage, people could actually improve their lives.

But then our clothing would cost more here. I don't want to pay more.

And that is why I think it's unfair. Because you want to save money, other people suffer.





You're right. I never thought about it like that. But I don't have that much money either.

I know you don't. But we need to support better companies.

You're right. If nobody buys these shirts, they will have to change something.



Practice the Dialogue



Listen to the Dialogue





Hello David, how are you today?

I'm good, thank you. How are you?

I'm fine too. What are you up to?

Not much, just work. And you?

Same. Busy with work.

It was great talking to you.

It was very nice talking to you, too!

See you around, Sarah!

Bye.



How are you**2**



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





<u>Dialogue</u>





Could I have a menu?

Yes, here it is. Would you like something to drink?

I would like a water, please.

Are you also ready to order?

Yes, I would like the salad and the curry, please.

Anything else?

No, thank you.

Enjoy your meal.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>



Telephoning



Good morning. David Brown speaking.

Good morning. This is Emma Wood. I would like to speak to Mr. Gray.

Just a second, I'll check if he is in already.

Thank you.

I am sorry, but Mr. Gray is not here yet.

Can you tell me when he will be in?

Probably around 4 pm.

Alright, I will call again later then. Thank you.

You're welcome. Goodbye.

Bye.



Telephoning



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





<u>Dialogue</u>





Where are you from?

I'm from Canada. Where are you from?

I'm from Washington, D.C.. Where do you live in Canada?

I live in Toronto.

I like Toronto. It is beautiful.

I really like it too.

It was nice to meet you.

It was nice to meet you too. Bye.



<u>Practice the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>



Where Are You From?





The Family



How is your family?

They are good. How is yours?

Also good. My brother just got married.

That is great. Does he have children?

Yes, I have one nephew.

How are your children?

They are very busy. They are at university.

And how is your wife?

Good, I think. She just started a new job.

That sounds great.



The Family



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





<u>Dialogue</u>



Introducing Yourself



Hello. What's your name?

My name is David. What is yours?

I'm Sarah, pleased to meet you, David.

Nice to meet you too, Sarah. Where are you from?

I'm from Austin.

That is awesome. I really like Austin. I'm from Los Angeles.

Have you met my friend Alex over there? He is also from Los Angeles.

Yes, I have. We talked briefly earlier.

I have to get going now. It was a pleasure meeting you, David.

Of course. See you later!



Introducing Yourself



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>



The Colors



What is your favorite color?

My favorite color is red.

Red is okay, but I like green. What kind of red do you like?

A darker red, like this apple.

I prefer a lighter green, like my new car.

Your car is bright green?

Yes, my car is a really bright green.

That sounds interesting. Can you show it to me?

Sure, let's look at my car right now!



The Colors





Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>



Greenhouse Effect



Are you scared of climate change?

A little bit. It's a complicated topic, and I don't really understand why it's happening.

Me too. I've been reading a book about it, and the uncertainty is scary to me.

Can you explain to me why the climate is changing?

Scientists think it's because of the greenhouse gases humans are producing.

What are greenhouse gases?

Carbon dioxide, water vapor, methane, and many others.

And what produces greenhouse gases?

Many things. Examples are: driving cars, coal power plants, or factory farming. They cause an enhanced greenhouse effect in the atmosphere.





What is a greenhouse effect?

It's a natural process that warms the earth. The gases reflect the sun's energy and keep the planet warm.

Now I understand. More gases mean that also more heat becomes trapped under them? Just like in an actual greenhouse.

Yes, you are correct. And that's why the climate is changing.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>

The Weather



What is the weather going to be like today?

It looks like it's going to rain.

Oh no! I thought it was going to be nice.

The forecast said it's going to be rainy and cold all weekend.

We were going to have a BBQ, but maybe we should do it another time.

The weather has been really unpredictable lately.

I really hope that it won't rain. Yesterday it was sunny and warm.

Maybe it will be better next week!

I sure hope so. This summer has been very rainy so far.



The Weather



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>





<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>





What time is it? I don't want to be late for dinner.

It's six pm.

That's good. Dinner is at seven o'clock.

What time are your friends arriving?

They said they will be here at half past six.

They are always early. We should get ready then.

Yes, they are never late and we, on the other hand, usually are.

Tonight we will be ready in time!



<u>Practice the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>



Dialogue



The Time





Apologizing



I'm sorry I'm late today. My car broke down this morning.

Don't worry, it's alright. Maybe next time you could call though and let me know you are running late. So we don't have to wait for you.

Of course! I was stressed about my car and simply forgot.

I understand. Just remember next time.

I will. I hope I didn't miss anything important?

We started about 30 minutes ago, but I can go over what you have missed again.

Thank you, I really appreciate it. And sorry again for being late.

I've been late before too because I missed the bus. It happens.



Apologizing





Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>



Shopping for Clothes



Can I help you with anything?

Yes, I'm looking for a black blouse.

Are you looking for a plain blouse or something with a print?

Just plain black with long sleeves. It's for work.

The work blouses are right here. What size are you?

I'm usually a medium, sometimes a small.

How about this one?

That one looks nice. What material is it?

It's 100% cotton.

That sounds good. Could I try it on?





Certainly. The changing rooms are over there.

Thank you for your help.

You're welcome.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

A Dentist Appointment



Good morning. How are you today?

I'm okay. My tooth has been hurting a lot.

When did the tooth pain start?

About two days ago.

Did anything happen that might have caused it? Maybe an accident?

I don't think so. It just got worse every day.

Well, let's take a look and see what's wrong. Open your mouth, please.

Okay. Ahhh.

It looks like you might have a cavity, but nothing major.

I hope it's only a small cavity. It hurts a lot.



A Dentist Appointment



We will have to take some X-rays to make sure. Follow my assistant please.

Alright.



Practice the Dialogue



Dialogue





What do you like to do in your free time?

I like reading, and in the summer, I also enjoy hiking in the mountains.

I really like reading too! What is your favorite book?

My favorite book is "Timeless". What is yours?

I love "Timeless" too! My favorite book is "Infinity".

I've heard of that one. It sounds interesting. What are your hobbies?

I enjoy watching movies and cooking.

Oh, you actually like cooking? I'm really bad at cooking.

It's not that di⊠ cult. You just need some practicelf you want we can cook together next week?





That would be really nice! I would love to learn how to cook.

It's going to be fun! I will teach you how to cook a tasty dinner.

I can't wait.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>



Where Are You From?



Where are you from?

I'm from New York City. Where are you from?

I'm one of your neighbors. I'm from Canada.

Where are you from in Canada?

I'm from Toronto. Have you heard of it?

Yes, I've even been there before. The city is great.

Are you originally from New York City?

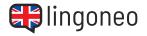
Yes, born and bred in New York City.

I've always wanted to visit New York City. I will have to make a trip soon.

You should! I can show you around.



Where Are You From?



That sounds awesome. As soon as I have time for a visit, I will give you a call.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Giving Compliments



Your hair looks really nice today. Did you change something about it?

Thank you so much. I just got a haircut yesterday.

It suits you really well. Where did you go for it?

Just down the street at the new place.

I've been wanting a change too. Maybe I should also try it.

It's a nice place, but don't cut your hair. It's so beautiful and long. I wish mine would be like that.

That's really sweet of you to say. I was thinking more of a color change.

My hairdresser Louise was great and the cut very affordable. I bet they would do a great job.

You are really praising them. I think I will give them a call later.





I really like my new haircut! You should call them.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

At the Airport



I would like to check in for my flight to London.

London is your final destination? And I need to see your passport or ID, please.

Yes, London is my final destination and here is my passport.

Do you have checked luggage or a carry on?

I have one suitcase and one backpack.

Could you place them on the belt, please? And would you like an aisle or window seat?

Could I have a seat next to an emergency exit?

Certainly. Here is your boarding pass. Your plane is leaving from Gate 4. Please be there 45 minutes before departure. Have a nice flight!

Perfect, thanks.



At the Airport





Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>





Have you heard? Sarah is pregnant again!

I had no idea. That's great! How far along is she?

She's in the second trimester, I think. I haven't seen her in the last couple of weeks.

Do they already know if it's going to be a boy or a girl?

They want to keep it a surprise.

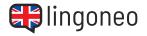
That's exciting. They already have a little girl, right?

Yes, she just turned two in March. I bet she will be really excited to get a sibling soon.

I remember when my kids were that young. They kept us up all night.

Mine too and Sarah won't be getting more sleep any time soon either.





We should offer to babysit her daughter for a night. That way she can take some time off.

Good idea. She can come over to my place for a sleep over.

I'll call Sarah tomorrow and offer some help.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Spelling



Good morning! I would like to make a reservation for a plane ticket to Chicago for tomorrow afternoon.

Certainly. I will need your name, date of birth and address.

My name is David Brown.

Could you spell that for me please?

D as in Delta, A as in Alfa, V as in Victor, I as in India, D as in Delta, space, B as in Bravo, R as in Romeo, O as in Oscar, W as in Whiskey, N as in November.

And what is your date of birth?

It's the 25th of August 1985.

Thank you. And your current address?

320 Market Street New York, 10445.





So your date of birth is the 25th of August 1985, you live at 320 Market Street New York, 10445 and your name is David Brown, correct?

Correct! What times do you have available?

I have one flight at 9 am and another at 4 pm.

I will take the one at 4 pm. Thank you!

You're welcome. Have a nice trip.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

A Movie Night



Are you excited about the movie night tomorrow?

Yes, I'm very excited already! Have you decided what movie we are going to watch?

I was thinking either an action or an animated movie. Do you have a preference?

I don't like action movies. What about the new comedy with Jim Carey?

That's a good idea. I heard it has received great reviews.

Should we invite more people?

I already invited Hanna and Steven. Anybody else I should ask?

No, I think that's enough people. Did you get some snacks?





I got popcorn, chips, gummy bears, and soda. I think we are all set!

Great. I'll see you tomorrow evening.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

At the Restaurant



Hello guys, welcome to the Crown. Are you ready to order?

Can we have a few more minutes? And what's today's special?

Of course. Today's special is tuna on white rice and vegetables.

That sounds good. I think we are ready now.

Perfect. What would you like to drink?

Can we get some sparkling water and a bottle of the Pinot Noir?

Of course. And what would you like to eat?

I would like the steak with fries and she will have the tuna special.

How do you like your steak?





Medium, please.

Can I get you anything else? An appetizer maybe?

No, we are good, thank you.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Giving Directions



Excuse me? I'm trying to find the Crown restaurant. Do you know where it is?

Yes, I do. It's just around the corner. Turn left, then go straight, and left again.

Could you repeat that and speak a little bit slower? My English isn't so good.

Of course. Turn left here and then go straight for about 500 meters. Then turn left again and the restaurant will be on your right-hand side.

How long do you think it will take me to get there?

Maybe about 10 minutes.

Ok, thank you so much. I'm here on vacation, and I'm having a hard time finding my way around.

No worries. You are welcome!



Giving Directions





Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>





What is your favorite season?

Why are you asking? It's winter. I like the snow and skiing.

I just want to get to know you better. What is your favorite food?

That is a hard one. I love pasta but also pizza.

And what about movies?

That's an easy one. I love "Pulp Fiction."

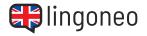
I really like that one too! What is your favorite book?

I think "1984" because it gives you a lot to think about.

And your favorite sport?

I like swimming and being in the water a lot.





Okay, one last one and then you've answered enough. What's your favorite time of the day?

I have never thought about that, but I guess the morning. Everything is still quiet, and sunrises are beautiful to watch.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

Taking a Taxi



Good evening. Where are you heading?

Do you know where the Astoria Hotel is?

You mean the one in the city center?

Yes. Do you think we can make it in 20 minutes?

I can't promise anything, but I think we will be fine.

Thank you. I have to be there at 6:30.

What brings you to the city?

Vacation. I'm going on a city sightseeing tour.

That's nice. Is it your first time in the city?

Not the first time, but I haven't been back in many years.



Taking a Taxi



Here we are, Astoria Hotel.

How much do I owe you?

It's \$18.20, please.

Here are \$20, keep the change. Thank you very much.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Formal Introduction



Good morning, I don't think we have met.

Good morning. No, we haven't. My name is David Brown.

Pleased to meet you, Mr. Brown. My name is Hazel Scott.

How do you do, Mrs. Scott?

I'm doing quite well. How about yourself?

Good as well. What company are you working for?

I'm with Ferox, a computer company based in Chicago.

Have you met Mr. Gray from Compex? He specializes in computer engineering.

No, not yet.





Let me introduce you. I think you would be interested in learning about his business.

Sounds good.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

The Family



Tell me about your family.

I have a pretty big family. Two brothers and one sister and many cousins. How about you?

Mine is small. I'm an only child, and only my mother has a sister, my aunt Hanna. What do your siblings do?

My one brother Steven works as an accountant, my other brother David is a teacher, and my sister Hanna works in finance.

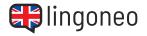
I didn't know your sister worked in finance. Where does she live?

She just moved away to Australia with her husband and my niece.

She has a child already? How old is she?

She is my older sister and quite a bit older than me. She turned 32 this year.





I always wanted a big sister... Do you guys look alike?

Not really, my siblings all have dark hair and blue eyes. They take after my father. I look like my mom with her blonde hair and green eyes.

I look like my mom too. Do you want to see a picture?

Sure, I would love to.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>





Hey Sarah. Do you want to play the new "Datacraft" with me?

I didn't know you were into online gaming, David?

I don't play much usually, but every once in a while there is a game that interests me.

That's cool! I've been wanting to play Datacraft too.

Have you tried it already? I just got it yesterday.

I bought it already but haven't played. Once I start playing, I can't stop, so I was going to wait until the weekend.

That's a good idea. Want to come over on Friday?

Sure, Friday works.

I have some more friends who play, I think. Should I invite them too?





If your internet connection can handle it?

Internet shouldn't be a problem.

Then let's do it. See you on Friday.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

Playing an Instrument



Do you play a musical instrument?

No. I used to play the guitar when I was younger, but I haven't touched one in years.

Why did you stop? Did you take lessons?

I had lessons for a little while, but never really enjoyed them.

Lessons can get boring. You should start again and play with me!

Now that we are talking about playing instruments, I wonder how it would be to pick my guitar up again. What do you play?

I just started playing the piano but just by myself with a book and without lessons.

How do you like it?

It's great, but lots of work. I need more practice.





You're right. Maybe we should play together, and I can help you practice.

Sounds great! We can be our own little band.



Practice the Dialogue



Dialogue

Celebrating a Birthday



Happy Birthday David! How old are you now?

Thank you! I'm 32 now.

You look a lot younger than 32! Here is your present. I hope you like it.

Thanks, this looks really interesting. I've been wanting to read this book for a while!

Who else is coming to the party today?

Only my family and a couple more friends. I wanted to keep this party small.

Understandable. I prefer smaller parties too.

Have you seen my birthday cake? My mom put in a lot of effort this year.

No, I haven't seen it. What kind of cake is it?



Celebrating a Birthday



It's a huge chocolate cake with lots of candles. I might need some help blowing them all out.

If worst comes to worst, you can count on me!



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

Going to the Movies



Good evening. Two tickets for the new "Hunger Games" movie, please.

For what time?

7:30 if there are still some available.

I'm sorry but this showing is already sold out. There are seats for 8:15 or 9 pm left though.

I'll take the one at 8:15 then.

And where would you like to sit?

Somewhere in the middle. G12 and G13 look good.

Do you have a student ID or a movie card?

I have a movie card.

Great, that gives you \$2 off. Your total comes to \$16.





With card please. And where can I buy popcorn?

Snacks are just around the corner, and here are your tickets. Enjoy the show.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

At the Library



How can I help you?

I would like to check out some books.

Sure. Can I see your library card?

I don't have one. How do I apply for one?

No problem, we can do it right now. Just fill out this form and sign on the back.

How much is the card? And what are the fees for late returns?

The card is free and late returns are 30 cents per book per day.

Thank you. I was also wondering if I could reserve a book?

Of course. Which one would you like to reserve?





I was looking for "Timeless". Your database online said that it is checked out right now.

I reserved it for you. Is there anything else I can help you with?

No, that's it. Thank you very much.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Fashion



You have great taste in fashion.

Thank you, it's a hobby of mine.

It's an interesting hobby. Where do you find all your stylish clothes?

All over the place. I don't have a favorite store.

Do you ever go to flea markets?

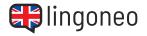
I love flea markets. You can find really nice clothing for a good price.

My style is more casual. Maybe I should start buying second-hand too.

There is a good second-hand store on main street. They have a big selection of styles.

What do you think about brands?





I like some higher quality ones, because they are well-made. But I don't like paying just for the name.

I agree. I'm okay with paying more though, if the clothes are produced under fair working conditions.

Totally, me too. We could go shopping together next week. What do you think?

Sounds fun. You can show me some of your favorite stores.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

A Doctor**②** s Appointment



Good afternoon. What have you come in for today?

I have a bad cough and a fever.

When did the fever start?

It started last Thursday and has been getting worse every day.

Have you been taking any medication?

I've been taking one of these over-the-counter medicines.

Then let's take a look. Could you open your mouth and say "aaah"?

Ahhhhhhh.

You probably have a bad cold. Get plenty of fluids and rest. If you don't feel better in a couple of days, come and see me again.





Can you write me a doctor's note for work?

Of course. Is there anything else I can help you with?

That's all. Thank you.

You are welcome, and you should feel better soon. If it gets any worse, call the old ce and let me know.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

Renting an Apartment



Good afternoon. I'm interested in your apartment. Is it still available for rent?

Yes, the apartment is still available.

Great. Could you tell me a little bit about it?

It's a two bedroom, partially furnished apartment with one parking space.

How much is the rent and does it include utilities?

It's \$740 a month including gas and water. Electricity is separate. The security deposit is \$1480.

Are pets allowed? I have two small cats.

Cats and smaller pets are allowed. But there is an extra security deposit of \$400 in case of damage.

That is no problem. Does the apartment have a balcony?





Yes, it has one eastward facing balcony and it's on the second floor.

This all sounds great. Could I come by and look at it today? Maybe around 5 pm?

Of course. May I have your name, please?

It's Ashlee Jones.

Alright Ashlee, I will see you at 5 pm.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Using Public Transport



Should we take the bus or the subway later?

I would take the subway. It's much faster than the bus.

Oh really? We are leaving around 5 pm. It will be rush hour and really busy on the subway.

You're right. I don't really like being in the subway during rush hour. It's always so crowded and hot.

I agree. The heat is terrible. Let's take the bus, okay?

Is there a bus stop close by?

There is one just down the road. And, if I remember correctly, an express bus stops there too.

You mean number 8? Don't you have to transfer with it?

No, it goes directly to Summerset. It won't even be that much longer than the subway. Especially with the new public transit lane.





I totally forgot about that lane. Only taxis and public transport can drive on it, right?

Yes, it opened a couple of weeks ago and works well so far.

It's decided then. We are taking the bus.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Renting a Car



Hello. I would like to rent a car.

What kind of car were you thinking of?

A mid-size one with automatic transmission.

We have a mid-size Ford available if that works? How long do you want to rent it?

Eight days. Is it possible to extend the contract if necessary?

Yes, that is no problem. Just call us beforehand and let us know.

How much is the car per day?

It will be \$75 not including insurance. Would you like to purchase insurance?

No, my credit card company will cover the insurance. I would like to add an additional driver though.





That's no problem, but it will cost an additional \$10 a day.

That's ok. The car has unlimited milage, right?

Yes, it does. Here is the contract. Please sign at the bottom.

Looks good, thank you.

You're welcome. Your car is in spot B32 and have a nice day.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>

At the Hairdresser s



Good afternoon. Do you have any openings today for a haircut?

Yes, you're in luck. If you want to, I have one right now.

That would be great.

What are you looking to have done today?

I would like a wash and cut, please.

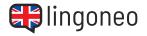
Certainly. Let's move over to the sinks. Do you have any preference for shampoo and conditioner?

No, you can choose whatever you think is best.

Alright, I need you to look straight ahead now for the cut. Where do you normally part your hair?

On the left side.





How much do you want me to take off? And maybe a couple of layers too?

Maybe around three inches and some layers sound good.

Of course. Would you like your hair to be blow-dried?

Could you blow-dry it and also straighten it a bit?

All done. What do you think?

I love it. It looks great. Thank you very much.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



At the Train Station



Good morning. How can I help you?

Good morning, I would like to take the train to New York City.

One-way or round trip?

One-way, please.

That's \$12, and the next train leaves in 15 minutes.

Is there a later one?

Yes, there is also one at 2:30.

Thank you, I'll take the later one. What platform does the train leave from?

It leaves from platform 3. Just turn right here and go straight.

Thank you.





You're welcome and safe travels.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Cooking Together



Would you like to cook dinner together?

Sure, I'd love to. What would you like to eat?

I was thinking maybe vegetable soup?

I love vegetable soup! What ingredients should we use?

I have carrots, onions, zucchini and broccoli in the fridge.

Great! Then let's use all of that. I'll dice the zucchini and the onions. Do you want to prepare the broccoli and carrots?

Yes, I'll do that. Should we add some pepper and garlic?

Oh yes, that sounds delicious! We could also bake a baguette in the oven.





Very good idea! How do you want to season the soup? With salt and pepper?

Yeah, and with some chili, if that's ok with you? I'm really hungry already.

Me too! Who taught you how to cook?

My mother. She is a great cook! We always used to prepare dinner together.

If you set the table, I will finish the soup, and then we can eat.

 $Sounds\ good.$



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Watching TV



Do you like watching TV?

It depends on the TV show. But generally yes. Why do you ask?

I was just wondering if you would like to watch the new season of "Friends."

Maybe. I didn't really like the last season.

I heard this one is supposed to be really good! I think you should give it another go.

Okay let's do it. Is it on TV or online via a streaming service?

It's on a streaming service. We can watch it whenever you are free.

That's great! I really prefer watching shows online.

The commercials on TV are really long and annoying.

Perfect. We are all set then. I'll come by later.





See you later then!



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



Dialogue

The Music Concert



Hey David. Do you want to go to a concert with me?

What kind of concert is it?

A live music concert. The philharmonic orchestra is playing in the park next weekend.

I'm not sure if I like classical music. How much are the tickets?

It's free. But you have to reserve tickets, and they are usually gone pretty quickly.

What kind of music will they be playing?

They normally play a mix of contemporary composers. I went last year too, and it was great.

When does the concert start?

It starts at 2 pm in the park.





Okay, 2 pm works. I'll go with you. I have nothing better to do anyways.

Awesome! I'll get the tickets, and then we can meet a little bit beforehand?

Sounds good. I'll see you then.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



The Next Vacation



Do you already have plans for your next vacation?

I have some ideas but nothing final yet.

Where do you want to go?

I was thinking either Hawaii or Mexico.

That sounds like a dilider cult decision. I've only beerto Mexico, but it was amazing.

I really want a beach vacation this time. I've seen beautiful pictures of both.

They both have beautiful beaches. I think the choice depends on your budget. Mexico is much more affordable.

I didn't really know Hawaii was that expensive. How did you like the food in Mexico?

It was really tasty. Our hotel had a big selection and lots of fresh fruit and coconuts.





I want to go with my boyfriend, and he is favoring Mexico too. He is interested in their history and the Maya ruins.

Then you should go to Mexico. It's a beautiful destination, affordable, and there is lots to do.

You're right. I can always go to Hawaii next time.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



The Last Vacation



Hey Ashlee, you're back! How was your trip?

Hello Peter. I just got back last night, and it was awesome.

You went to Thailand, right? How long did you go for?

Yes, for two weeks. They went by way too quickly.

I feel you. What did you get up to in Thailand?

We visited a couple of islands and explored a lot.

That sounds really nice. I've always wanted to go to Thailand.

You should. The beaches are so beautiful, and the water is clear blue.

I love a beautiful beach. How was the food?





Usually pretty good. We ate lots of fresh fruit and coconuts.

You are making me jealous. Sounds like a beautiful vacation.

It really was. I want to go back already.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



How Are You?



Hello Sarah. How are you?

Hey David. I'm great, just got off work. How about you?

I'm okay, I have been really stressed lately and not getting a lot of sleep.

I'm sorry to hear that. Why are you stressed?

Mostly work and school. Just a lot of things to do and not enough time.

Working and studying is definitely a lot. Don't forget to also take some time for yourself.

That's good advice. I will as soon as work slows down a bit.

Can I help you with some of your school work?

No, don't worry about it. It's just a stressful period right now.





How about we get together and do something to cheer you up this weekend?

That would be very nice. Maybe we could go to the pool? Thank you, Sarah.

Of course! That's what friends are for.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Going to the museum



Have you ever been to the Natural History Museum?

No, I haven't. Why?

Do you want to go? I've been wanting to go for a while now.

What exhibitions are on display right now?

They have a new one about dinosaurs, and I think the one about Greek artifacts is still there too.

I do like dinosaurs. How much is the admission fee?

I'm not sure. I think it's \$10. Do you want to go?

Sure, why not. But we should get an audio guide so we actually know what we are looking at.

We could also go on the guided tour. They offer one hourly.



Going to the museum



I prefer the audio guide. This way you can go at your own pace and enjoy the exhibits you're looking at.

Let's go tomorrow then?

Looking forward to it!



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



Dialogue





I'm thinking about getting a pet. Do you have one?

I have multiple. I have a dog and two cats.

That's unusual. Do they get along?

Yes, they love each other. What kind of pet would you like?

I'm not sure. I would love to have a dog but my landlord doesn't allow it. I was thinking a cat instead.

If you get an indoor cat, you should get two so they can keep each other company.

Oh, that's something I haven't thought about yet. Are your cats indoor cats?

No, they can go outside.

Did you get them online or from a breeder?





I got all of my pets from the shelter. You should definitely go there too and have a look.

That's a good idea. I'll go next week and see if they have some up for adoption.

If you have any more questions, feel free to call me.

Thanks for your help.



Practice the Dialogue



Dialogue



Relaxing



What do you like to do to relax after a hard day at work?

Usually I do nothing after work and watch TV, but I have recently been thinking about meditation. Have you ever tried it?

Yes, I do Yoga twice a week. It really helps me to calm down and relax.

How long have you been doing that?

A little more than a year now. It's not all meditation, but you could come with me next week, if you would like to try it?

I'm not sure if I would like to do Yoga with other people.

That's ok. Let me know if you change your mind.

Will do! Maybe for now I'll just start with some short walks on the beach.





That sounds great too. You should try South Beach!



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Current News



Have you seen the story about the crazy cow on the news?

I have no idea what you are talking about.

They just said on the news that a cow is loose in town and stealing people's food.

A cow stealing food? You shouldn't believe everything you see on TV.

It's true! They also had a video clip showing the cow running around.

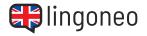
If it is actually true then that's quite interesting news. Where did the cow come from?

They don't know yet. Nobody has claimed it missing.

What station did you see this on?

It was on Channel 3.





This sounds like just the story for Channel 3. They never show any actual news.

You are right. Channel 3 is definitely more entertaining than informative.

Well, I hope they catch the cow and bring it back to where it belongs.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Lost luggage



How can I help you?

I just arrived from Washington, D.C., but I can't find my suitcase.

What flight were you on? FA 203?

Yes, FA 203. I arrived about 40 minutes ago.

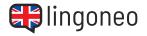
Are you sure you were at the right carousel? FA 203 was at carousel 3. And did you check the bulky luggage carousel?

Yes, I waited at carousel 3 the whole time, and there was nothing at the bulky section either.

Okay, if it's not at the bulky section, it's probably just delayed. Most suitcases show up between 12 and 24 hours later.

But I need my things. I'm here on vacation. I don't even have a toothbrush.





You can purchase any essential items and file a claim, if we can't locate it.

And how will I get my suitcase then?

Once it gets here, we will notify you, and it will be delivered to your hotel. Please fill out this form for me, and be sure to hold on to this claim number.

Thank you.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>





What do you think about being more active, Ashlee?

Probably not a bad idea. What were you thinking?

Maybe taking up a new sport. Something that keeps me active and is fun.

A sport like playing football or basketball?

Something like that, but I'm terrible at both of them.

How about skiing or snowboarding? Winter is coming and I can ski. I could teach you.

Skiing sounds fun, but it's expensive with all the equipment and lift passes, right?

It's definitely not a cheap hobby. Maybe we could go swimming? You can do it year round.

That's a great idea. There is a pool close by, and in the summer we can go to the local lake.





Alright, David. Then it's settled. We are going swimming next week.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



Dialogue

At the Supermarket



Hey Ashlee, where is the shopping list?

It's in my bag. What else do we need?

We still need milk, flour, and sugar. Oh, and blueberries.

What do we need all these baking ingredients for?

I'm going to make blueberry $mu\mathbb{N}$ ns tomorrow.

That sounds tasty. Do you know where I can find the flour?

It's right next to the condiments section. But let's get the blueberries first.

Here are the blueberries. The peaches look really good too. Maybe we can get some?

Sure, I like peaches. How about you get the flour and sugar? I'll get the milk.





Alright. What aisle is that again?

It's in aisle three, I think. I'll meet you at checkout?

Yup, see you there.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Listen to the</u> <u>Dialogue</u>





Has anyone ever told you that you have a beautiful smile?

Yes, I have heard that before.

I noticed it from across the room. How are you enjoying the party?

It's fun, the music is really good.

Do you like this kind of music? Electronic music?

I don't really listen to it at home, but it's good for dancing.

What do you listen to at home?

I don't know. Usually rock and hip hop.

I really like hip hop too. What's your favorite artist?

I'm listening to a lot of Drake lately. What about you?





Drake is awesome. That's really cool that you like him. I don't meet a lot of girls that like hip hop.

His new album is just great. His lyrics carry a lot of emotion and meaning.

It has been really fun talking to you. Would you like to get together some other time? Maybe we could get coffee or dinner?

It was fun talking to you too. And yes, I think I would enjoy a coffee date.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>





You just hit my car?! Are you blind?

Oh my God. I'm so sorry. Are you ok? I didn't see you.

I think I'm ok. I hit my head pretty hard.

We should call an ambulance and the police.

Yes, please do that. You really damaged the back of my car. Let me take some pictures.

I'm so sorry again. My insurance will cover all the damage. I have full coverage.

I am happy to hear that. What did the police say?

They will be here shortly. Let's wait for them and see what to do next.

We should move behind the barrier and wait for them away from the road.





Good idea. Enough accidents for one day.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Cancelling Formal Appointments



Good morning. How can I help you?

I'm calling because I need to reschedule my appointment tomorrow. My name is Brown.

Certainly. What day would you like to change it to?

Would Friday be possible?

Yes, Friday is fine. What time would you like to schedule it for?

Three o'clock in the afternoon.

Alright, your new appointment will be on Friday at 3 pm.

Thank you so much. I really appreciate it, and I'm very sorry for this last minute change. Something came up.

No problem, Mr. Brown. Just let us know a little earlier next time.



Cancelling Formal Appointments



I will do that. Thank you for your time, and I'll see you on Friday.

We'll see you then, Mr. Brown.



Practice the Dialogue



Dialogue

Celebrating Christmas



Are you celebrating Christmas?

Yes I am. It's a big deal in my family.

What do you guys do? Eat together?

The whole family comes together on the evening of the 24th of December and has a big feast.

What about a tree?

We also have a pine tree in the living room which we decorate during the day of the 24th. It's usually quite big with lots of shiny ornaments.

That's really interesting. My family doesn't celebrate Christmas. What else do you do?

We also go to church together for the midnight mass.

Do you also put presents under the tree?



Celebrating Christmas



Yes, lots of presents. They are all individually wrapped in colorful paper and brought by Santa Claus.

Santa Claus isn't real, right?

No, he isn't. It's part of the Christmas tradition to tell children that Santa is bringing the presents.

That is really interesting. Thanks for sharing all this with me.

No worries, you are welcome!



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



<u>Dialogue</u>

Driving a Car



Thanks for practicing how to drive with me.

No worries. How many times have you been driving so far?

It's the fifth time. I went driving last week too.

How do you like it so far?

It's still a little confusing, especially driving in the city.

Even for me the city can sometimes be stressful with bikers, pedestrians, and $tra \mathbb{Z}$ c.

Tra c is the worst! And one-way lanes. I always mis the turn and then have to go around the whole block.

Have you driven at night and on the highway already?

I drove at night but not on the highway yet. The speed is a little intimidating.





Driving fast can be really fun, especially with a manual car.

One day I would also like to learn how to drive a manual, but for now it is di

cult enough to driveltis automatic.

Once you are comfortable with the automatic, I will teach you driving stick.

I owe you. Thanks again Ashlee.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Buying a Phone



Good afternoon. How can I help you?

I would like to buy a new phone.

Great, you've come to the right place. Are you looking for anything in particular?

Yes, I would like a phone with a good camera and battery life.

We have a couple of different models that would fit that description. How much would you like to spend?

Between 200 and \$300.

Would you like your phone to be unlocked or with a carrier?

Unlocked, please.

In this case, we have three phones available.





What's the difference?

They are pretty similar. This one is a little more pricey but also has better battery life. The black one has more storage and the gray one is the cheapest.

I will take the first one then. Thank you.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Booking a Hotel Room



Good morning. Do you have any vacancy? I would like to book a hotel room.

Yes, we have several rooms available. How many nights would you like to stay, and what is your name?

Six nights for two people. My name is David Brown.

And what kind of room would you like?

Two double beds with a balcony and lake view if possible.

We have a room with a lake view available. Would you like breakfast in the morning?

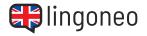
How much is the breakfast?

It is \$15 per person and includes coffee, tea, and orange juice.

That sounds good, we would like the breakfast.



Booking a Hotel Room



Your total will be \$660 including tax. How would you like to pay?

Credit card, please.

Here is your receipt. You are in room 232 on the second floor. Do you have any more questions?

Yes, is there free parking at the hotel?

Yes, we have a parking lot behind the hotel on the right side. Please put this slip in the window on the passenger side. Have a pleasant stay.

Perfect. Thank you!



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Negotiating Business Contracts



Thank you for meeting me to talk about the new sales contract.

It's in both our best interests to sign this contract as quickly as possible. How should we proceed?

Let's look over the main articles and make sure everything is in order.

What about the terms of renewal?

I know the renewal terms were a sticking point during our last negotiations. Are you satisfied with the compromise?

Yes, this counter proposal looks much better, and we can live with the improved conditions.

I'm glad you accept the new proposal.

Now that we agree, should we summarize the main points to make sure we are on the same page and then finalize it?





Yes, let's finish it.



Practice the <u>Dialogue</u>



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At the Job Interview



Good morning. Please take a seat. Why are you applying for this job?

I'm looking for a job that fits my qualifications and a company I can grow with.

Why should I hire you? What are your strengths?

I work well with other people, and I'm very ambitious. I'm also always looking for opportunities to learn and grow.

Do you work well under pressure?

Yes, I'm able to stay calm and focused.

Where do you see yourself in the next five years?

By then I would like to have improved my skills and become more independent in what I do.

Do you have any questions for me, Mr. Acker?





No, I think I have a good understanding of the job, and I'm excited at the prospect of working within your team.

Thanks for coming in today. We will call you soon with our decision.

Thanks for considering me. Have a nice day.



Practice the Dialogue



<u>Dialogue</u>



Making a Point



First of all, I would like to express my dislike of this discussion. I don't like talking about it.

I agree with you, but it needs to be addressed and we need to talk about it now.

From my point of view, it's very disrespectful how they are acting.

You know I share your point of view. They are disrespectful, but it's not that easy.

I think they do it on purpose just to annoy me.

I don't think that's quite right. They don't want to annoy you on purpose. They just don't have the same point of view as you.

I suppose that could be true. But they keep making a lot of noise late at night, and I need to sleep.

In order to solve this problem you should make an effort and explain your situation. Maybe they don't know that you are working early?





I don't think explaining it will change anything, but I guess I could try.

You can do it! You're good at making a point.

I'll take your word for it!



Practice the Dialogue



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