

**Elementary English for Tourism and Hospitality**
**LESSON 5 – Making Recommendations**
**STUDY NOTES**
**Characters**

Leo:	Receptionist
Mona:	Guest
Jack:	Guest
Jean:	Waitress

**The story**

Mona and Jack want to go out for dinner so they ask Leo to recommend a good restaurant. He suggests they go to the Golden Lotus. At the restaurant, Jean finds them a table and takes their drink orders.

**Language Point - Short answers**

Here are some guests' questions followed by short answers for you to read out loud. Remember, sometimes it's better to say more than yes or no so your answer is not too abrupt. The first word of the question will help you with the answer. Read them out loud.

Will dinner be served at 8 p.m.? ↗  
**Yes it will.**

Is there a gymnasium on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor? ↗  
**Yes there is.**

Do you have an iron in each room? ↗  
**Yes we do.**

Have you got any messages for me? ↗  
**Yes I have.**

Can you book me a taxi for tomorrow please? ↗  
**Yes I can.**

**Language Point- Making recommendations**

Here are some model phrases for making recommendations. When you use the modal verbs **can** or **may**, they are followed by the infinitive. Similarly, when you use **if** to make a recommendation, use an infinitive verb. The key words are in bold. Read them out loud.

**I can recommend the** Golden Lotus. **It is famous for its** seafood.

**May I suggest the** Pearl Garden Cabaret. **It is very popular.**

**If you like** quiet restaurants, **you should try the** Golden Lotus.

**If you like to** listen to music while you eat, **I recommend the** Pearl Garden Cabaret.

### EXERCISES

#### 1. Key vocabulary

Look up the meaning and pronunciation of these words in your dictionary.

recommend	very close	restaurant
famous	(just) two doors down	cabaret
seafood	within walking distance	menu
music	decide	local
nearby	suggest	imported

#### 2. Language Practice - Positive short answers

Write possible answers in the spaces provided. Then check your answers.

1. Will lunch be served at 1 p.m.? ↗  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Is there a bank nearby? ↗  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Do you have tea-making facilities in each room? ↗  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Have you got any rooms available on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor? ↗  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Can I have the bill please? ↗  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 3. Vocabulary

Without referring to the notes on the previous page, choose the correct word from the box below to complete the recommendations.

recommend	famous	like
popular	suggest	should

1. If you \_\_\_\_\_ quiet restaurants, you \_\_\_\_\_ try the Golden Lotus.

2. May I \_\_\_\_\_ the Pearl Garden Cabaret. It is very \_\_\_\_\_.

3. I can \_\_\_\_\_ the Golden Lotus. It is \_\_\_\_\_ for its seafood.

4. If you \_\_\_\_\_ to listen to music while you eat, I \_\_\_\_\_ the Pearl Garden Cabaret.

#### 4. The Chant

Practise saying this chant out loud.

I recommend  
I recommend  
A restaurant close to here

And may I suggest,  
May I suggest  
You try a local beer?

**Example answers:** 2. 1) Yes it will. 2) Yes there is. 3) Yes we do. 4) Yes we have. 5) Yes we can. 3. 1a) like 1b) should 2a) suggest 2b) popular 3a) recommend 3b) famous 4a) like 4b) recommend