

Elementary English for Tourism and Hospitality
LESSON 8 – In the Restaurant
STUDY NOTES
Characters

Mona: Guest
 Jack: Guest
 Jean: Waitress

The story

Mona and Jack are dining at the Golden Lotus restaurant. They have just finished their meals and Jean gives them the bill. Mona queries an amount on the bill then pays for their meals.

Pronunciation

Below are some models for 'Would you like' questions. When we say **would you**, it sounds like one word instead of two. In spoken English, the two words are linked together. Practise saying **would you** as one word and use the rising intonation at the end of the question.

Read the following questions out loud.

Example: Would you like something to drink? ↗

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Would you like to see a menu? ↗

Would you like to order now? ↗

Would you like steamed vegetables or rice with that? ↗

Would you like anything else? ↗

Would you like the bill? ↗

Expression – Let me see

Let me see is another way of saying, 'Let me check'.

When Mona asks what the extra \$2 is for, Jean says, "**Let me see.** Ah, that's for the use of the towels".

Here are some other examples of '**Let me see**' in context.

A: Would it be possible to stay another night in the same room?

B: **Let me see.** Ah, yes. That's fine.

A: Could you tell me what time the restaurant opens for dinner?

B: **Let me see.** It's open from 6 p.m.

EXERCISES

1. Key vocabulary

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

bill	change	delicious
dessert	extra	glad
menu	tip	towels

2. Vocabulary

Choose a correct word from the box above to complete the sentences.

1. Could I please see the _____ menu?
2. The extra \$2 was for the _____.
3. Thank you. The Crispy Chicken was _____.
4. Could we have the _____ now please?

3. Language Practice – Would you like...?

Without looking at the previous page, write questions from the following key words.

1. like / see / menu?

2. would / order / now?

3. you / steamed / vegetables / rice / that?

4. would / anything / else?

5. like / bill?

4. The Chant

Practise saying this chant out loud.

Would you like?
 Would you like?
 Coffee or tea?

Thank you
 Thank you
 I'd like a cup of tea!

Suggested answers: 2. 1) dessert 2) towels 3) delicious 4) bill 3. 1) Would you like to see a menu? 2) Would you like to order now? 3) Would you like steamed vegetables or rice with that? 4) Would you like anything else? 5) Would you like the bill?