

LESSON 20

Meeting and Greeting



(i) Short Conversations

Conversation 1

Sita : Hello! I'm Sita.
Daya : I'm Daya.
Sita : Happy to meet you, Daya.
Daya : Glad to meet you, too.

Conversation 2

Rita : Hello! I'm Rita.
Binti : I'm Binti. I'm from Baroda.
Rita : A pleasure meeting you. I'm from Ranchi.
Binti : Very pleased to meet you, too.

Conversation 3

Ragini: Hello, Binti. How are you?
Binti : Very well, thank you. And you?
Ragini: I'm fine. It's good to see you again.
Binti : I'm very happy to see you, too.

Conversation 4

Sita : I'm so happy to see you again, Gita.
Gita : Yes, it's been ages since we met.
Sita : How have things been with you?
Gita : Good. I've finally wound up my thesis.

Conversation 5

Rita : Hello, Gita! I'm so pleased to meet you!
Gita : I'm so glad to meet you, too!
Rita : What have you been doing lately?
Gita : Nothing much, just reading books.

Conversation 6

Binti : What a pleasant surprise! When did you come back?
Sita : I got back last night.
Binti : Did you enjoy the vacation?
Sita : Yes, I had a wonderful time. Thank you.

Conversation 7

Sita : May I introduce myself ? I'm Sita.
Gita : I'm Gita. Lovely meeting you, Sita.
Sita : Do you live in Delhi?
Gita : No, I'm on a short visit to the capital.

Word/Phrase

Meaning

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| 1. pleasure | feeling of joy or happiness |
| 2. it's been ages | a long time |
| 3. wound up | completed, finished |
| 4. lately | in the past few days |
| 5. pleasant surprise | unexpected joy |
| 6. vacation | period of rest, holidays |
| 7. wonderful | excellent, very good |

(ii) Meeting for the first time

Sita : Hello, I am Sita Sharma. What is your name?
Gita : I'm Gita.
Sita : Where do you live?
Gita : Varanasi.
Sita : Oh, really? I'm also from Varanasi. I live on the Benares Hindu University campus. My father is a teacher there.
Sita : What a small world! My mother is also a teacher, but she teaches in a school.
Gita : I'm also receiving training to be a teacher.
Sita : That's nice. A family of teachers! It has been nice meeting you.

(iii) Meeting after a long time

- Rohit : Where have you been all these days? We haven't met for ages.
Amit : I've been very busy with preparations for our Annual Day function.
Rohit : Oh I see! Yes, that does require a great deal of hard work. When is the function?
Amit : It's next week and I still have a lot to do.
Rohit : Good luck. I hope to see more of you after the function is over.
Amit : Yes, I look forward to seeing you.

Word/Phrase

Meaning

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| 1. been ages | a long time |
| 2. a great deal of | a lot of |
| 3. see more of | to meet more often |
| 4. look forward to | will be happy to |

(iv) Meeting a new student in school

- Rina : Hi, I'm Rina.
Ragini : I'm Ragini.
Rina : Haven't seen you around. Are you a new student?
Ragini : Yes, it's my first day today and I'm a little nervous.
Rina : What class are you in?
Ragini : Class XI. I've taken Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics.
Rina : Oh! That's great. I've also opted for the same subjects, so we'll be together.
Ragini : Good! After talking to you I'm feeling a lot better.
Rina : Come, I'll introduce you to the rest of the class.
Ragini : Thank you very much.

In the classroom

- Rina : Hello, everybody. This is Ragini. Today is her first day in school.
Students : Hello, Ragini. Welcome to the class.
Ragini : Thank you. I'm looking forward to being here.

Word/Phrase

Meaning

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| 1. nervous | worried, tense |
| 2. opted | selected, decided on |
| 3. looking forward to | thinking with pleasure about something that is going to happen |

(v) Meeting in the market

Ravi : Good evening, ma'am.
Teacher : Good evening, Ravi.
Ravi : Nice to see you here, madam!
Teacher : I've just moved to a new house and this shopping complex is the closest for us.
Ravi : Please meet my parents. Mom, Dad, this is Mrs. Kaul, our History teacher.
Parents : Glad to meet you, Mrs. Kaul. If you need any help, please feel free to ask us.
We live in K – 92, Greater Kailash.
Teacher : That's wonderful! I'm in G –13. I'm sure we'll be seeing more of each other.
Thank you very much for your offer.
Parents : Good-bye!

Word/Phrase

Meaning

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| 1. shopping complex | a group of shops in a building |
| 2. closest | nearest |

(vi) Meeting at a party

Mrs Sharma : Hello, Mrs Malik. What a pleasure to see you!
Mrs Malik : Yes, it is wonderful to meet you again.
Mrs Sharma : Let me introduce you to my friend, Mrs Rai. Mrs Rai, meet Mrs Malik, a dear friend from Kolkata.
Mrs Rai : Pleased to meet you Mrs Malik. Do join us.
Mrs Malik : Thank you. I am so glad to have met you both.

(vii) Meeting in the park

Seema : Hello, my name's Seema. And yours?
Mita : I'm Mita. Where do you live?
Seema : I live in Kaveripuram. How about you?
Mita : I'm in Rajdeep Colony. It's close by.
Seema : Do you come to this park often?
Mita : Yes, almost every evening.
Seema : Good, we can meet here then.
Mita : That will be great.

Word/Phrase

Meaning

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| 1. often | many times |
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(viii) Meeting at an office

- Receptionist : Good morning Sir. How can I help you?
Mr Das : I'd like to meet Mr Sarkar, the General Manager of the Fans Division.
Receptionist : May I know your name and the purpose of your visit?
Mr Das : My name is Ravi Das. I was advised to see Mr. Sarkar regarding the formalities for joining the company.
Receptionist : I will check if he is free. Please have a seat, Mr Das.
Mr Das: Thank you.
Receptionist : (On the intercom) Sir, Mr Ravi Das is here to see you.
Mr Sarkar : Send him in.
Receptionist : Mr Das, the General Manager will see you now. Please go down this corridor, turn left and it's the second room on the right.
Mr Das : Thank you, ma'am.

In Mr Sarkar's office

- Mr Das : May I come in, Sir?
Mr Sarkar : Yes, come in Mr Das. Welcome to the organization. Please sit down.
Mr Das : Thank you, Sir.
Mr Sarkar : Would you like some tea or coffee?
Mr Das : Tea will be fine, thank you.
Mr Sarkar : I'll call Mr Gopal who handles administration. He'll help you complete the joining formalities and show you around the office .
Mr Das : Thank you sir.
Mr Sarkar : I'll see you later. I'm sure you'll enjoy working with us. All the best!

Word/Phrase

1. formalities
2. intercom
3. corridor
4. organization
5. handles administration

Meaning

- paperwork, official procedure
internal communication system
passage or gallery with doors
leading into many rooms
a group of people working
together
looks after the working of the
organization

(ix) Meeting on a train

- Sahil : Hello, I'm Sahil Gupta from Delhi. I work for the State Bank of India.
Vikram : I am Vikram Mehta. I work for B.H.E.L. in Haridwar.
Sahil : Where are you going Mr. Mehta?

Vikram : I'm joining my family in Agra. We want to see the Taj Mahal. Where are you going?

Sahil : I'm going to Gwalior on business.

Vikram : I think we are approaching Agra. I better start moving my luggage closer to the door.

Sahil : It was nice meeting you, Vikram.

Vikram : It was nice meeting you too. Here's my card. Let's keep in touch. Goodbye and all the best.

Word/Phrase

1. approaching
2. keep in touch

Meaning

- nearing, coming close to
- keep contact