

Do the following:

1. Greet Mr. Jones in the morning:

2. Greet Mrs. Smith in the evening:

3. Greet a 10 year old girl.:

Culture Note:
 When greeting someone in German, it is necessary to use the title with the greeting.

- Good morning—Guten Morgen Sir—Herr
- Good afternoon—Guten Tag Ma'am/Mrs.—Frau
- Good evening—Guten Abend Miss—Fräulein
- Good night—Gute Nacht

Study Tip:

Study this lesson before going to bed. That is, when you've turned off all the lights in the house, brushed your teeth, changed into your night clothes, and getting into bed, look at this lesson for a few minutes. Do the exercises, maybe create some variations of the exercises.

Why? When you do it before going to bed, the brain continues working with the information gathered during the day. It will store the information you've just learned in this lesson into your long term memory. It increases the chances of your success to language learning. We guarantee it.

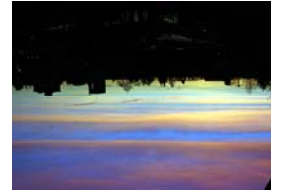
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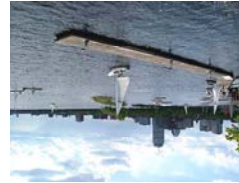
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Gute Nacht



Guten Abend



Guten Tag



Guten Morgen

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Lesson 1
Meeting and Greeting People

Translate the following into German:

Good morning Mr. Jones, how are you?
 Fine, thank you.
 Good evening Mrs. Schwarz.
 I'm doing very well, thank you.
 How are you Miss?
 fine, thanks.

How are you? — Wie geht es Ihnen?
 I'm... — Es geht...
 very—sehr
 no, not—nicht
 good, well—gut
 bad, ill—schlecht
 thank you—danke

Study Tip:

Making mistakes? Don't worry about them! Mistakes exist to help you with your learning. If you need help, we have an online help desk to answer any questions you may have.

Say this over and over:

I am not afraid of mistakes. They are my friends to help me learn.

Got it? Good. Now, let's keep learning.



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Es geht schlecht.



Nicht besonders.



Es geht gut, danke.



Es geht sehr gut, danke

Wie geht es Ihnen?

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Lesson 2
 "How are you?" (Part 1)

Greet your German partner using the phrases in this lesson.

Read the following:
 Tag Dieter! Was ist los?
 Nichts, Was geht's mit dir?
 Es geht mir gut.

This lesson focuses on greeting your family, friends, or children. **Do not** use these on adults or older people unless you know them well, or invited to do so.

Hallo! - hello
 Tag! - hi / hello
 gut—good
 nichts—nothing
 nicht besonders—so-so
 Du—you (informal) nicht schlecht—not bad
 es geht—going well
 es geht mir gut—I'm doing fine

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Was gibt es neues? - What's new?
 Wie geht's dir? - How's it going with you?
 Was ist los? - What's up? / What's going on?



Nicht besonders.



Gut, danke.
 Und Du?



Hallo Johann!
 Wie geht's?

Hallo!

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Lesson 3
 Meeting and greeting people
 (Part 2)

Bis später (See you later) indicates you'll be seeing each other again within the next couple of days.

Bis gleich (See you later) indicates you'll be seeing one another again within the same day.



Hallo Peter!

Tag Johann! Wie geht's mit dir?

Es geht gut.

(A few minutes later)

Bis gleich.

Bis gleich.

Bis gleich.

Guten Morgen Frau Schwarz. Wie geht es Ihnen?

Sehr gut, danke. Und Ihnen?

Sehr gut, danke.

(A few minutes later)

Auf Wiedersehen, Frau Schwarz.

Auf Wiedersehen.

Auf Wiedersehen!

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Lesson 4—Saying Goodbye