

At the Restaurant

Customer 1: Hi, can we have some menus please and some glasses for our wine?

Waiter: Sure, I'll bring you some menus, but I'm afraid we aren't BYO so you won't be able to have your wine...

Customer 1: Oh right, I didn't realize you were licensed. In that case, I'll just have a beer please- what sort of beers do you have?

Waiter: The drinks list is at the back of the menu but we have: VB, Carlton, Cascade, Coopers and Asahi.

Customer 1: Can I have a Coopers Pale Ale please.

Customer 2: Make it 2 thanks

Waiter: Sure.

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Waiter: Here you are: 2 Coopers.. Are you ready to order?

Customer 2: No sorry, can we have 5 more minutes?

Waiter: Certainly

Customer 2: Excuse me, can we order now?

Waiter: Yes, what can I get you?

Customer 1: I'd like the steak, medium- rare with chips and salad please, and can I have some mustard with my steak?

Waiter: Yes, sure.

Customer 2: What's the pasta of the day?

Waiter: It's home-made gnocchi with fresh tomato sauce

Customer 2: Mm sounds good- I'll have that thanks.

Waiter: Would you like entrée or main size?

Customer 2: Is the main size very big?

Waiter: Yes, it's quite substantial...

Customer 2: OK, I might just have the entrée size then.

Waiter: Sure, no problem

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Waiter: Sorry for the wait. Would you like some cracked pepper on your steak and pasta?

Customer 1 & 2: Yes, please

Customer 2: And can I have some parmesan cheese too please

Waiter: Sure, there you go.. Enjoy!

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Waiter: How were your meals?

Customer 1 : Very nice thanks

Customer 2 : Yea, lovely- and you were right, the entrée was big enough!

Waiter: Oh that's good, would you like anything else?

Customer 1: No, can we just have the bill thanks

Waiter: Sure thing.

Customer 1: How much should we leave for a tip?

Customer 2: Well, it cost \$40.50, so how about if we leave \$45?

Customer 1: Yea, that's fair enough, that would be 10%.

Vocabulary

BYO	Bring Your Own (drinks/alcohol)
Licenced	restaurants that are not BYO so you need to buy drinks/alcohol there
Make it 2	can I have one too (more informal)
Medium- rare	meat slightly under-cooked so it is still a pink colour in the middle
Gnocchi	a type of round- shaped pasta made from potatoes
Entrée size	a small-sized meal usually eaten as a starter
Main size	a regular-sized meal
Cracked pepper	freshly ground pepper
Parmesan cheese	an Italian cheese, usually eaten with pasta
There you go	there you are
I'm full	I've had enough to eat
The bill	the cheque / payment amount at a restaurant
Tip	5-10% of the bill amount left for good service at restaurants
Fair enough	that's fair / reasonable