

# 53 Eating out

## A Places where you can eat

**café:** you can have a cup of tea/coffee and a **snack** there (= something small to eat like a sandwich or a cake). They sometimes serve meals there too.

**restaurant:** you go there for a full meal; more expensive than a café.

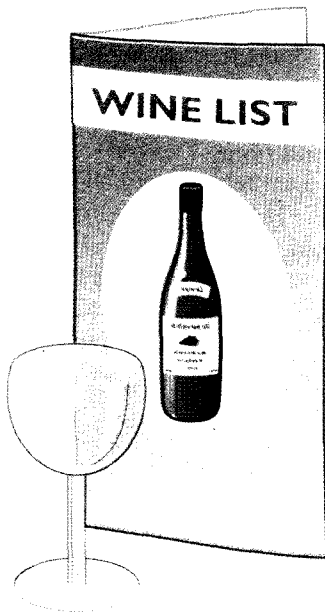
**bar/pub:** bars and pubs serve alcohol and **soft drinks** (= non-alcoholic drinks like fruit juice and lemonade); you can usually have a meal or a snack there too.













**sandwich bar:** a place that serves lots of different kinds of sandwiches. People usually buy sandwiches and take them to eat in a different place, at work or in the park.

**fast food restaurant:** you can get a quick hot meal there, for example burger and chips.

**self-service restaurant/café:** you take what you want, pay for it and carry it to your table.

## B In a restaurant



STARTERS	MAIN COURSE	DESSERT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tomato soup</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roast beef, green peas, carrots and roast potatoes</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ice-cream</li> </ul> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melon</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chicken salad</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strawberries and cream</li> </ul> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orange juice</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steak, mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fruit salad</li> </ul> 
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fish, chips and beans</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chocolate gateau</li> </ul> 
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheese, ham or plain omelette</li> </ul> 	

## C Ordering food

WAITER: Are you ready to order?

CUSTOMER: Yes, I'd like tomato soup and steak, please.

WAITER: Would you like the steak with chips or new potatoes? And how would you like your steak – rare, medium or well-done?

CUSTOMER: Well-done, please. And with chips.

WAITER: And what would you like to drink?

(later)

WAITER: Is everything all right?

CUSTOMER: Thank you, it's very nice.

# Exercises

**53.1** Which of the places in A opposite would you go to if you ...

- 1 want to buy something in the morning to eat at lunch-time at work? a *sandwich bar*
- 2 want a romantic dinner for two?
- 3 have three small children with you?
- 4 arrive half an hour early to meet a friend?
- 5 are very thirsty?

**53.2** Do you have all the places in A in your country? Write down all the places you have. Give an example of an eating place of this type. *fast food restaurant – McDonald's*

**53.3** Look at the menu on the opposite page.

- 1 What would you eat from the menu opposite?
- 2 What would a vegetarian eat? (Vegetarians don't eat meat.)

**53.4** Choose one of the words in the box which can go with each of the words in each group.

steak omelette potatoes gateau <del>soup</del> salad
--

- 1 You can have tomato / vegetable / chicken ..... ~~Soup~~ ..... to start.
- 2 Would you like a cheese / ham / plain .....
- 3 I'll have the chicken / ham / fruit .....
- 4 I'd like some roast / mashed / new .....
- 5 Can I have the chocolate / strawberry / apricot ....., please.
- 6 Do you like your ..... well-done / medium / rare?

**53.5** There are some mistakes in this dialogue. Correct the mistakes.

WAITER: Are you ready for order?

CUSTOMER: Yes. I like vegetable soup and steak, please.

WAITER: What would you like your steak? Rare, medium or done good?

CUSTOMER: Rare, please.

WAITER: What you would like to drink?

CUSTOMER: A orange juice, please.

**53.6** Cover the page opposite and write down all the words you can remember.

Then look at the page again and write down any words you forgot.

**Tip:** Sometimes restaurants in other countries have English menus for tourists. Look at one of these. Write down any useful words you find.