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## Podcast



## Episode #7 - Exercises

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You've just been seated in a cafe and the waiter is ready for your order. Greet him, and say:  
I'll have coffee, please.

Здравствуйте, я буду кофе, пожалуйста.

How should you thank him when he brings it?  
Спасибо.

To which he will reply:

Пожалуйста

Is this pasta?  
Это паста?

How will he say: Yes, this is pasta.  
Да, это паста.

So tell him:  
I'll have the pasta, please.  
Я буду пасту пожалуйста.

Is there soup?  
Есть суп?

Yes, there is borscht and there is solyanka.  
Да. Есть борщ и есть солянка.

I'll have the borscht, please.  
Я буду борщ, пожалуйста.

I'll have the solyanka.  
Я буду солянку.

Is there coffee?  
Есть кофе?

Да, есть. И есть капучино.

Tell her:  
Okay, I'll have the cappuchino, please.  
Хорошо. Я буду капучино, пожалуйста.

There's coffee, there's yogurt, and there's a muffin.  
Есть кофе, есть йогурт, и есть маффин.

So, you're in a cafe and the waitress comes over. Start by greeting her:  
Здравствуйте.

Добрый день. Что Вы хотите?

So let's ask her:

Is there soup?  
Есть суп?

How will she say:  
Yes, there is. There is borscht and solyanka.  
Да, есть. Есть борщ и солянка.

Tell her:  
Okay, I'll have the borscht, please. And coffee.  
Хорошо. Я буду борщ, пожалуйста. И кофе.

Change your mind. Tell her...  
No, I'll have the solyanka.  
Нет, я буду солянку.

She says: Solyanka? Ok.  
Солянку? Хорошо.

Tell her: Thanks.  
Спасибо.

And she says: You're welcome.  
Пожалуйста.

Is there yogurt?  
Есть йогурт?

(Waiter's reply)  
А...завтрак хотите. Ну...есть йогурт, есть маффин, есть блины...и есть кофе и капучино.

He's saying:  
There is yogurt, there is a muffin, there are blini -- blini are those are thin Russian pancakes, basically crepes -- and there is coffee and cappuccino.

So tell him:  
Okay, I'll have the yogurt, please. And cappuccino.  
Хорошо. Я буду йогурт, пожалуйста. И капучино.

He reads back your order:  
Ok...Yogurt and cappuccino.  
Хорошо. Йогурт и капучино

Tell him: Thanks.  
Спасибо.

And he says: You're welcome.  
Пожалуйста.

If you're comfortable with this kind of exchange, you'll do great when you visit Russia or Ukraine. Sure, there are tons of foods that we haven't covered, but there are also so many cognates when you're dealing with food, it's easy to get by. Here are six food cognates off the tip of my head. Can you recognize each one? Listen..

Омлет, грейпфрут, банан, гамбургер, хот-дог, спагетти, брокколи

We could go on forever with food cognates. So don't worry. When it comes to ordering in a restaurant, you'll do great.

(short music break)

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