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AT THE RESTAURANT

Exercise 1

Choose the correct option for each gap.

1. The waiter _____ the fish.
   a. ordered
   b. recommended
   c. booked
   d. ate out

2. I had soup as a starter and a steak as a _____.
   a. dessert
   b. beverage
   c. napkin
   d. main course

3. The restaurant will be busy tonight, so I think we should _____.
   a. book a table
   b. order
   c. eat out
   d. recommend

4. The waiter repeated our _____ to us to make sure it was correct.
   a. bill
   b. tip
   c. waitress
   d. order

5. Sam ordered the steak with a _____ of potatoes.
   a. starter
   b. napkin
   c. side dish
   d. dessert

6. Our _____ was very helpful, so we left her a large tip.
   a. customer
   b. waitress
   c. cutlery
   d. waiter

7. I was unable to read the _____ because it was written in Italian.
   a. napkin
   b. special
   c. starter
   d. menu

8. When I finished eating, I cleaned my mouth with my _____.
   a. cutlery
   b. starter
   c. napkin
   d. side dish

9. When we finished eating, I asked the waiter for the _____.
   a. set menu
   b. menu
   c. bill
   d. tip

10. Are you ready to _____?
    a. order
    b. recommend
    c. book
    d. eat out

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Exercise 2

Complete each sentence with one of the options. You can use each option only ONCE.

1. I asked the _____ to bring me another glass of wine.
2. Our _____ today are beef with a spicy sauce and a chicken salad.
3. We have a _____ for 7:00.
4. If you order the _____, you get a starter, a main course, and dessert for $25.50.
5. I don't want a _____; I'll just have a main course and a dessert.
6. We don't _____ very often these days; we prefer to eat at home.
7. There was no _____ on the table, so I asked the waiter for a fork and knife.
8. We cannot serve alcoholic _____ to anyone under 18.
9. After we paid the bill, we left a _____ for the waiter.
10. I had strawberry ice cream for _____, and Mike had chocolate cake.

A. starter
B. waiter
C. reservation
D. dessert
E. eat out
F. tip
G. set menu
H. specials
I. cutlery
J. beverages

Exercise 3

Fill in each gap with a word from the box below. You can use each option only ONCE.

bill – dessert – main course – menu – order – reservation – side dish – specials – starters – tip

CUSTOMER 1: Hello. We have a ***1)*** _____ for two people at 7:00. The name is Smith.

WAITER: Ah, yes. Mr. Smith. Here it is. Please follow me. Here is your table, and here are your menus. Our ***2)*** _____ today are salmon with cream sauce and a beef and orange salad.

CUSTOMER 1: Could we see the drinks ***3)*** _____ too, please?

WAITER: Certainly. Here you go.

CUSTOMER 1: Thanks. Hmm. I'll have a beer, please.

WAITER: And for you, Madam?

CUSTOMER 2: I'd like a glass of red wine, please.

WAITER: Certainly. I'll be back in a minute with your drinks.

[He returns…]

WAITER: Here are your drinks; a wine for you, madame, and a beer for you, sir. Are you ready to ***4)*** _____ your meal?

CUSTOMER 1: Yes, I think so. I'll have the pasta with tomato sauce, please.

CUSTOMER 2: And I'll have the chicken with a ***5)*** _____ of vegetables.

WAITER: Certainly. And would you like any ***6)*** _____ before that?

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CUSTOMER 1: No, we'll just have a
7) _____.

WAITER: OK. So that's chicken with a side order of vegetables and the pasta with tomato sauce. I'll be back with your meals shortly.

[10 minutes later…]

WAITER: Here is your food: chicken for the lady, spaghetti for the gentleman, a side order of chips, and a side order of vegetables.

CUSTOMER 1: Actually, we didn't order any chips, just the vegetables.

WAITER: Oh yes, my mistake. The chips are for the table over there. Enjoy your meal.

CUSTOMER 2: Thank you. And may I have another beer, please?

WAITER: Of course.

[45 minutes later…]

WAITER: How was your meal?

CUSTOMER 2: It was delicious, thanks.

WAITER: Can I get you any ***8)*** _____?

CUSTOMER 1: No, thanks. We don't really like sweet food. We'll have the ***9)*** _____, please.

WAITER: Of course, sir. I'll be back in just a minute.

[He returns.]

WAITER: Here is your bill. That will be 48 euros, please.

CUSTOMER 1: Here is my card, and please add a 5-euro ***10)*** _____.

WAITER: Thank you, sir. Please enter your pin number. Here is your card and your receipt, sir. Thank you very much. I hope you have a wonderful evening.

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ANSWER KEY

Exercise 1

1. b.
2. d.
3. a.
4. d.
5. c.
6. b.
7. d.
8. c.
9. c.
10. a.

Exercise 2

1. B
2. H
3. C
4. G
5. A
6. E
7. I
8. J
9. F
10. D

Exercise 3

1. reservation
2. specials
3. menu
4. order
5. side dish
6. starters
7. main course
8. dessert
9. bill
10. tip

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