

50 DAILY ENGLISH CONVERSATION

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1. Greetings

General greetings (Formal)

Hello

Good morning/ Good afternoon/ Good evening

How are you?

Nice to meet you

I'm pleased to meet you.

I'm glad to see you.

How are you doing?

It's nice to meet you

It's a pleasure to meet you.

How do you do?

General greetings (Informal)

Hi

What's up?

How have you been?

What's going on?

How's your day?

Good to see you.

Hey

How's it going?

What's new?

How are things?

How's your day going?

Greeting someone you haven't seen for a long time.

Long time no see.

It's been a long time.

It's been too long.

Wow, it's so good to see you again!

It's been a while.

It's been such a long time.

I'm so happy to see you again.

What have you been up to?

Useful responses when greeting people

I'm fine, thank you.

Not bad. You?

Wonderful, thank you.

I'm doing very well, thank you. And you?

Great, thanks. How are you?

Couldn't be better? How about you?

2. Saying Goodbye

Goodbye

Bye

See you soon!

Catch up with you later.

I'm looking forward to seeing you soon.

It's been really nice knowing you.

soon.

It was really great to see you, catch you later.

Take care!

I've got to go now.

Bye for now!

See you later!

I hope to see you soon.

Stay in touch.

See you!

Talk to you later!

See you next time.

It was nice meeting you.

It has been a pleasure, we'll speak

All the best, bye.

I'm really going to miss you.

3. Making apologies

Apologies Expressions

I'm sorry...

I'm terribly sorry...

Sorry about that.

Please forgive me.

How should I apologize to you?

Sorry, it's my fault.

Sorry, I'm late!

I'm so sorry...

Sorry, I didn't mean to do that.

Can you forgive me?

I owe you an apology.

Sorry for keeping you waiting.

I'm very sorry...

I apologize for...

You can blame me for this.

I beg your pardon.

To accept an apology, you can use these sentences and expressions:

That's all right!

No problem.

No big thing.

Think nothing of it.

Don't worry about it.

Never mind. It doesn't really matter.

It's not your fault.

Forget it!

Please don't blame yourself.

4. Introducing yourself and others

Introducing yourself

Hello. My name is ...

Pleased to meet you. I'm ...

May I introduce myself? I'm...

Let me introduce myself. I'm ...

Hi. I'm ...

Nice to meet you. I'm ...

It's a pleasure to see you. I'm...

How do you do? My name is...

I'd like to introduce myself. I'm ...

Introducing others:

John, I'd like to introduce you to Mary.

John, I'd like you to meet Mary.

John, let me introduce you to Mary.

John, please meet Mary.

John, have you met Mary?

John, this is Mary. Mary, this is John.

Useful responses when introducing yourself or other people:

Nice to meet you.

I'm pleased to meet you.

It's a pleasure to meet you.

Glad to meet you.

How do you do?

5. Thank you

Express thanks and gratitude:

Thank you.

Thanks.

Thank you very much.

Thanks a lot!

Many thanks.

Sincerely thanks.

Thank you so much!

Thanks a million for your help.

I really appreciate your help.

You are so kind.

I don't know how to express my thanks.

There are no words to show my appreciation!

What you've done means a lot to me.

That's so kind of you.

You've made my day.

I owe you a great deal

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything.

How can I ever possibly thank you?

Useful Responses:

You're welcome!

It was my pleasure.

My pleasure.

Don't mention it.

Forget it.

No big deal.

It's was nothing.

Think nothing of it.

I'm glad that I can help you.

6. Talking about time

What time is it?

What's the time?

Could you tell me the time?

Do you know what time it is?

How long have you been waiting?

Do you have free time this afternoon?

What time can we meet?

What should we do to kill time?

It's ten o'clock.

It's midnight.

It's 6 A.M now.

See you at 8 P.M.

I can't tell you exactly what time we will arrive.

It's too late now.

My watch is stopped.

My watch is slow.

Don't waste your time doing nothing.

I didn't think it was so late.

We have plenty of time.

Give me a little more time.

It's time to leave.

It's almost time to go home.

Time went by so fast.

The supermarket opens at 9 a.m.

The class starts at 8 in the morning.

7. Do you speak English?

Can you speak English?

How long have you been learning English?

Could you speak up a little, please?

Could you please say that again?

Could you please repeat that?

Would you mind spelling that for me?

How do you pronounce this word?

What do you mean by this?

I'm sorry, what do you mean?

What is this thing called in English?

How many languages can you speak?

I speak a little English.

I can speak English very well.

Your English is excellent.	I wish I could speak English fluently like you.
Please speak slowly.	Please repeat what you said. I'm afraid to speak English.
Sorry, my English is not quite good.	How often do you speak English?
I can read English very well, but I can't speak.	I would like to improve my English speaking.

You have good pronunciation.

8. Giving compliments

Giving Compliments:

Good job!	Well done!	Fantastic!
Perfect!	That's great!	Nice work!
Excellent!	That's really remarkable.	Good grades!
What a nice dress!	You look great.	This dish is delicious.
You look very good in that suit.		This tie looks nice on you.
You have a nice voice.	You look very handsome.	I like your haircut.
What a beautiful house!	What a nice apartment!	
I really must express my admiration for your speech.		

Receiving compliments:

How kind of you to say so.	It's nice of you to say so.	It's very kind of you to say that.
Really? I'm not sure about that, actually.		Thank you.
Thanks a lot.	I'm glad you like it.	It was nothing really.
I'm delighted to hear that.	Thanks for your compliment.	

9. Making Complaints

Making a complaint

I'm sorry to say this but...	I hate to tell you but...	I'm angry about...
I have a complaint to make...		There seems to be a problem with...
I'm afraid there is a slight problem with...		Sorry to bother you but...
I'm not satisfied with...	Wouldn't be a good idea to...	
There appears to be something wrong with...		I was expecting... but...
Sorry to bother you but...	I want to complain about...	I'm afraid I've got a complaint about...

I have to make a complaint about...	I don't understand why...
Excuse me but there is a problem...	Would you mind...?
Accepting a complaint	I'm so sorry, but this will never happen again.
I'm sorry, we promise never to make the same mistake again.	
I can't tell you how sorry I am.	I wish I never happened.

Rejecting a complaint

Sorry, there is nothing we can do about it.	Sorry but it's not our fault.
I'm afraid there isn't much we can do about it.	

10. Likes and dislikes

Expressing Likes:

I like...	I love...	I enjoy...
I adore...	I'm crazy about...	I'm mad about...

I'm keen on...

Examples:

I like dogs.

I'm crazy about pizza.

I love cooking.

I'm fond of rock music.

I enjoy playing football.

Do you like tennis? Yes, I do.

Expressing dislikes:

I don't like...

I can't bear...

I dislike...

I can't stand...

I hate...

Examples:

I don't like him.

I don't like washing dishes.

I can't stand these people.

I hate going to the dentist.

I can't stand this smell.

11. Certainty and Uncertainty

Asking for Certainty:

Are you sure?

Do you think it is true?

How sure are you?

Are you sure about it?

Do you think so?

Are you certain about it?

Expressing Certainty:

Yes, I am certain.

I'm absolutely sure.

I'm sure about it.

Of course.

I'm no doubt about it.

I'm a hundred percent certain ...

I have no doubt about it.

I don't think there can be any doubt about

I'm positive.

I'm absolutely certain that...

I'm quite sure about it.

Expressing Uncertainty:

I'm not sure about it.

I don't know for sure...

I don't think so.

There's some doubt in my mind that ...

I don't know yet.

I doubt it.

It's very unlikely.

I don't believe this is true.

I'm not really sure about...

I have my own doubts.

I'm not a hundred percent sure.

12. Making Invitations

Making invitations:

Do you feel like going for a walk?
tonight?

Would you like to play cards?

What about a cup of tea?

Would you be interested in going to the movies tonight?

Why don't you have lunch with me tomorrow?

I invite you to have breakfast with me tomorrow morning.

Do you want to go to the movies

Would you like a cup of coffee?

I would like you to have lunch with us tomorrow.

How about joining me for a walk?

Accepting an Invitation:

Thank you for your kind invitation.

I'll be glad to do so.

That's a great idea.

I'd love to, thanks.

Thanks, I'd like that very much.

Thanks for inviting me to dinner.

It's very nice of you.

Sure. Thank you.

Many thanks for your kind invitation. I'll join you.

With pleasure!

Refusing an Invitation:

I'm sorry to refuse your invitation.

Thanks for your invitation but I'm busy now.

I'm afraid I am busy tomorrow.

appointment.

I really don't think I can, sorry.

That's very kind of you, but I can't accept your invitation.

I can't, sorry. I have to work.

I'm afraid I won't be able to come.

Sorry, I'd love to but I have an

13. Making Requests

Making requests:

Will/Would/Can/Could you please...

Do you think you could...?

to...?

Would it be possible for you to...?

Would you be kind enough to...?

Can/could you... for me, please?

I'd appreciate it if you could...

You couldn't... could you?

Examples:

Can you give me the book?
raincoat?

Could you please take me to the dentist?

Would you mind opening the window for me, please?

Would you be kind enough to repair my computer?

Do you think you could take me to the supermarket?

Could I ask you to take me home?

Can you tell me what happened?

Would you come to my birthday party?

Would it be possible for you to come here at 8 A.M?

Accepting Requests:

Sure, I'd be glad to...

No problem.

All right.

I'd be happy to ...

Of course

Sure. Just a moment.

Certainly.

Refusing Requests:

I'm sorry, I can't.

Sorry to say that ...

I'm sorry, but ...

It sounds great, but ...

I'd loved to, but ...

14. Making Offers

Making Offers:

Can I...?
something)?

Shall I...?

Would you like me to...(do

Would you like...(something)?
Do you want...(something)? Let me...(do something)
I'd be happy to...(do something)
I will...If you'd like

Do you want me to...(do something)?
I can...If you'd like
May I offer you... (something)?

Examples:

Would you like something to drink?
Can I help you? Can I give you a hand?
Would you like me to answer the phone?
Do you want me to turn down the TV?
May I offer you a cup of coffee.

Would you like me to open the door?
Let me help you.
Do you want some more tea?
I'd happy to take you to the airport.

Accepting Offers:

Yes, please. Yes, I'd love to.
Yes please, that would be lovely.
That's very kind of you. That sounds nice.

Yes. That would be great.
Yes, If you wouldn't mind.
Thank you. I'd like to.

Refusing Offers:

No, thanks. It's Ok. I can do it myself.
Thank you for your kindness but I can do it myself.
I appreciate that but I can do it myself.

Don't worry. I can do it.

15. Asking and Giving Permission

Asking for permission:

Can I use your pen, please? Can I sit here?
Can I ask you a question? May I use your computer?
Can I take a look at your book?
Do you mind if I use your phone?

Is it okay if I sit here?
May I come in?
Do you mind if I turn down the TV?
Would you mind if I opened the

window?

If you don't mind, I'd like to smoke.
I wonder if I could borrow your car for a few days.
Would it be all right if I borrowed your phone?

Giving permission:

Sure. Sure, go ahead.
Yes, you can. Please feel free.

No problem.
I don't mind.

Refusing permission:

I'm afraid not. I'm afraid, but you can't.
No, you cannot. You couldn't do that.

I'm sorry, but that's not possible.
Sorry, you are not permitted.

16. Making suggestions and giving advice

Making suggestions and giving advice:

You should try to learn English everyday.
Why don't you join an English club?
Let's have dinner together.
What about having a cup of coffee with me?
Don't you think it would be a good idea to have a picnic this Sunday.

I think you should go home early.
You'd better wake up early.

How about going to the cinema?

If I were you, I'd call her.
You may want to try on this T-shirt.
Perhaps you could take an umbrella with you.
I strongly advise you to do more work out.
I recommend that you get some rest.
It's better for you to sleep a little more.

I suggest that you take a nap.

Accepting Suggestions:

Thanks, I'll do it. It sounds good.
Thanks. It's a good suggestion.
Why didn't I think of that?

That sounds like a good idea.
I think you're right.

Refusing suggestions:

No, I'd rather not. I don't think so.
No, I don't think it's a good idea.

I don't feel like it.
What a bad idea!

17. Expressing Sympathy

Expressing sympathy:

That's too bad. That's so sad.
I hope things get better soon. It would be OK soon.
What a pity! Oh, that's terrible.
I can't tell you how sorry I am.
I know how it feels. I take my sympathy to you.
I sympathize with your condition.

I'm sorry. What bad luck!
I hope you feel better soon.
Be patient, it would be better soon.
Oh, I am sorry to hear that .
You must be very upset about it.

Responding:

It's very kind of you. Thank you very much.
Thanks for your sympathy. Thanks for your support.

It would be Ok, thanks.

18. Asking for information

Asking for Information:

Could you tell me how to get to the bus station?
Do you know that old man?
Do you happen to know where to buy an umbrella?
I'd like to know your name. I'd like to know what you think about this idea.
I wonder if you could tell me why the meeting was canceled?
Do you have any idea how to use this machine?
Could you find out where she lives?
garden.

Do you know how much is this car costs?

Can you tell me what the time is?

I'm looking for a book about

19. Guessing

It looks like you're new here.

It looks like you don't know what happened.
I'd say it's over 9 A.M now.

Perhaps she knows the answer.
If I had to take a guess, I'd say he's 40.

20. Demanding explanations

Can you explain why you was so late?

How come it has taken you so long to reply to my email?

I don't understand why you never finished the work on time.

Can you tell me why you didn't attend the meeting this morning?

Why is it that you didn't tell the true?

Do you expect me to believe you did this by yourself?

21. Hopes and desires

I hope to see you soon.

Let's hope he will get better soon.

Hopefully, it'll be sunny tomorrow.
show.

I wish it would stop raining.
time.

With any luck, she will go home early tonight.

I want to be a doctor.

What I really want is to have an apartment.

I believe things will get better.

I keep hoping that she will win the

If we're lucky, we'll arrive there on

I would like to buy a new car.

22. Asking for Opinions

What do you think about this problem?

What do you think of my new house?

How do you feel about that?

Do you have any idea?
matter?

What's your view?

Please tell me your opinion on this subject.

Can you give me your thoughts on the report?

What are your feelings about his behavior?
matter.

Do you have any thoughts on that?

What is your opinion?

Do you have any opinion on this

What is your opinion about that?

I'd like to hear your views on this

23. Giving Opinions

Expressing opinions:

I think we need to buy a house.

In my opinion, this is the best website for learning Spoken English.

I don't think we should get a new car.

From my point of view, she is the best student in the class.

As far as I'm concerned, this T-shirt doesn't suit you.

My personal view is that he is a liar.

In my point of view, this is the most beautiful island on earth.

It seems to me that we get lost.

I personally believe we're in the right way.

This is absolutely right.

I couldn't agree more.

Personally, I think you're right.

To my mind, it's the right thing to do.

Agreeing with an opinion:

I completely agree with you.

I agree with this opinion.

Disagreeing with an opinion:

I don't agree with you.

I think you're wrong.

I don't think so.

I'm afraid I can't agree with you.

24. Making an Appointment

Making Appointment:

Can we meet on the 14th?

Can we meet next Friday?

Are you available on the 14th?

Are you free next week?

Let's meet this evening.

When can I talk to you?

Can I meet you tomorrow afternoon?

How about tomorrow afternoon?

Is next Monday convenient for you?

Do you have any time available this week?

When would be a good time to meet you?

Would today evening be all right?

Can you give me an appointment on Sunday?

Accepting an appointment:

Sure. I'll come.

Yes, Sunday is fine.

Friday would be perfect.

I'll be there at that time.

Canceling/rejecting an appointment:

Sorry. I have another appointment at that time.

I'm sorry. I can't come.

I'm afraid I can't on the 14th.

I'm sorry, I won't be able to make it on Sunday.

Sorry. I don't think I can make it.

25. Fear and Anxiety

Are you afraid of the dark?

I'm afraid of being alone at night.

I'm frightened of spiders.

I get scared very easily.

I was terrified when I heard the noise outside.

I'm scared of snakes.

I am terrified.

I'm worried about her health.

Useful Responses:

Don't be afraid.

It's not a big deal.

It is nothing.

There is nothing to be afraid of.

Take is easy.

Calm down.

26. Making promises

Making promises:

I promise that I will finish the job on time.

I swear I will never leave you.

I assure you that I will return the book tomorrow morning.

I assure you that I will be there on time.

Believe me, I won't make you disappointed.

I promise you that that's the truth.

I swear I won't let you down.

Trust me, I can do it.

Useful Responses:

Thank you.

I believe you.

All right. Keep your promise.

I hope you will keep your words.

Just let the time answer it.

27. Admitting mistakes

Admitting mistakes:

I have to admit that I was wrong.
I shouldn't be like this.
I'm fully responsible for this matter.
It's my mistakes. Forgive me.
I was the one to blame.
I'm sorry. I shouldn't have done that.

Useful responses:

Don't mention it. Let it go.
Just take it easy. Don't do it again.
That would be okay. Don't worry about it.

I admit what I've done is wrong.
Sorry. I know this was my fault.
I have made a mistake.
Yes, I take the blame.

I never intended it that way.

That's fine.
Forget it. It doesn't matter.
It's okay

28. Expressing preferences

Questions about preferences:

Which do you prefer, football or volleyball?
coffee?

Do you prefer hot coffee or ice coffee?
Would you prefer to go for a walk or see a movie?
Would you rather have dinner with me?

Which do you like better, tea or

Expressing Preferences:

I prefer tea to coffee.
I like tea better than coffee.
I prefer jogging to running.
I'd prefer living in a city to living in the country.
I'd rather stay at home than go out.
walk.
I'd rather play football than golf.

I'd prefer to have some water.
I prefer reading books.

I would rather go home.
I'd rather take a nap than go for a

29. Expressing Cause and Effect

I help you because I like you.

I study hard because I want to pass the exam.
We have to go home since we have no idea where to go next.
You need to hurry up since it's very late now.
I can't run fast as I'm too fat.
I love you, so I will do everything to make you happy.
I didn't eat anything, so I'm very hungry now.
We had to cancel the picnic because of bad weather.
I did it because of you.
storm.

I can't go out as it's raining.

The flight was canceled due to the

I came home late due to the traffic jam.
He didn't work hard. As a result, he was fired.
I was busy this evening. Therefore, I couldn't come to your party.

Thanks to his hard work, he got a raise.

30. Talking about feelings

Asking about Feelings:

How are you feeling?

Are you Ok?

Is everything alright?

What's wrong?

What's the matter?

Do you want to talk about it?

Expressing Feelings:

I'm very happy right now.

I don't think I can be any happier right now.

I feel a little sad.

It's been a difficult day.

He made her very angry.

I've been in a bad mood all day.

I'm mad at his behavior.

Depressed today.

You seem a little blue today.

I've got a headache and I feel terrible.

31. Making and Answering Phone Call

Can I speak to John, please?

I'd like to speak to John.
please.

I'll put you through. Hold the line,

I'll connect you now.

I'm sorry, he's on another call

I'm sorry, he's not available at the moment.

Please call back later.

Could you ask him to call me?

Would you like to leave a message?

Who's speaking?

Who's calling, please?

Could I ask who's calling?

Can I have your name, please?

Who am I talking to?

It's Mary speaking.

Is it convenient to talk at the moment?
number.

Sorry, you must have the wrong

Sorry. I think you've dialed the wrong number.

Hang on for a moment.

I'm about to run out of credit.

What number can I reach you at?

Who do you want to talk to?

Hold the line, please.

I've got a very weak signal.

Can you hear me OK?

Could you please speak up?

Sorry. I didn't catch that. Could you say it again, please?

32. Making friends

It's nice to meet you.

What's your name?

I'm John.

I'm sorry, I didn't catch your name.

Where are you from?

I'm from the U.S.

What brings you here?

I'm on holiday.

What's your phone number?

Could I take your phone number?

May I have your address?

Are you on Facebook?

Who do you live with?

I live on my own.

I live with my friends.

How old are you?

I'm 30.

When's your birthday?

It's 16th June.

33. Asking and giving directions

Asking directions

Excuse me, do you know where the bookstore is?

How can I get to the train station from here?

Excuse me, could you tell me how to get to the bus station?

Can you show me the way to the post office?

Excuse me, where is the hospital?

What's the best way to get to the airport?

How far is it to the stadium from here?

Is this the way to the police station?

Can you give me directions to the gas station?

Can you show me on the map?

What's the fastest way to the airport?

What street is this?

Is there a supermarket near here?

34. Talking about jobs and occupations

What do you do?

What do you do for a living? I've got a part-time job.

I work from home. I work in a factory.

I work as a doctor. I'm looking for a job.

I'm not working at the moment.

I do the paperwork.

Do like your job?

Where do you work?

What is your occupation?

I'm a teacher.

I'm unemployed.

I have my own business.

35. Agreeing and Disagreeing

Agreeing:

I completely agree.

You're absolutely right.

I agree with you entirely.

I totally agree with you.

I couldn't agree more.

Exactly.

Absolutely!

You're right.

Me too!

I agree.

I see exactly what you mean!

That's exactly what I think.

There is no doubt about it.

Partly agreeing:

I agree up to a point, but ... That's partly true, but ...

I see your point, but ... I guess so, but...

I'm not so sure about that.

That may be true, but...

That seems obvious, but...

Disagreeing:

I don't agree!

I don't agree with you.

I totally disagree!

I'm sorry, but I disagree.

Absolutely not!

I'm afraid I can't agree with you.

That's not right!

That's not always true.

I don't think so.

No, that's not true.

No way!

36. Checking for Understanding-Asking for Clarification

Checking for Understanding:

Do you understand? Are you following me?

Do you understand what I'm saying?

Got it?

Do you understand what I mean?

Any questions?

Expressing lack of understanding:

I don't get it.

What do you mean?

I beg your pardon, but I don't quite understand.

I'm sorry. I don't understand what you mean.

Sorry, I didn't get your point.

I'm not sure I got your point.

I don't quite follow you.

Sorry, I didn't quite hear what you said.

Asking for clarification:

Could you clarify that, please?
What do you mean by that?
Could you repeat, please?

Could you explain that, please?
Could you say that again, please?
Could you put it differently, please?

Clarifying:

Sorry, let me explain... Let me clarify it for you... To put it differently...
Let me put it in another way...

Showing Understanding:

I see. I understand.
Ok, I got what you mean. I understand what you mean.

37. Expressing Regret

I wish/If only + Past perfect
I wish I had worked harder.
If only I had driven more carefully.
I should have come to your party.
I should haven't eaten so much.
I regret + Noun/V-ing
I regret not working harder.
I regret leaving you alone.
I regret the things I didn't do when I had the chance.

I wish I had come to your party!
If only I hadn't eaten so much.
I should have (not) + Past Participle
I should have worked harder.
I should have driven more carefully.
I regret not coming to your party.
I regret eating so much.

38. Congratulations and Best Wishes

Expressing Congratulations:

Congratulations! Great!
Please accept my warmest congratulations...
Let me offer you my congratulations.
Let me congratulate you on. ...
Congratulations on your graduation!
That was excellent. Congratulations!

Well done!

I'd like to congratulate you on ...
Congratulations on your promotion!
Congratulations! You deserve it!

Good wishes:

Best wishes! Best wishes on your new job!
Best of luck! Good luck to you! All the best...
Wish you a happy married life.

Useful Responses:

Thanks. Thanks so much. Thanks a million.
Thanks a lot. Thank you for your kindness. It's very kind of you.
It's very nice of you. Thanks for your support. Thanks for your kind words.

39. Expressing Obligation

Asking whether you or others have an obligation to do or not:

Do I have to do it now? Do I need to leave her a message?
Must I accept the request? I don't have to attend the meeting, do I?

Do you have to get to the office so early?
Are you expected to finish the job by tomorrow?
Is it necessary for me to go with them?

Expressing obligation:

I must tell them the true.
you.

I have to send the report today.

I have to go now.

airport.

It is necessary that you follow this guideline.

I can't avoid it.

table.

It's my duty to do it.

40. Expressing Indifference

Who cares!

I don't mind.

It makes no difference to me.

It doesn't matter to me.

It's all the same to me.

It's your decision.

Do as you like.

You can say whatever you like.

41. Interrupting people

Excuse me for interrupting, but...

Sorry for interrupting but....

May I say something here?

Just a moment, I'd like to....

I don't mean to intrude, but ...

Excuse me, but...

Sorry, I didn't catch that, is it possible to repeat the last point?

While that is an important point, it's also important to add...

If you don't mind, I'd like to mention something.

Sorry to butt in, but may I just ask...

Before we move on to the next point, may I add...?

Before you move on, I'd like to say something.

Do you mind if I jump in here?

Can I just add something here?

42. Talking about health and illness

Asking about health:

What's the problem?

Must you work so hard?

I must do everything I can to help

I have to be there by tomorrow.

I'll have to pick her up from the

I can't refuse to do that.

It is my responsibility to clear the

I have no other choice.

I don't care!

I don't mind whatever you do.

Do what you like. I don't care.

So what?

Why should I care?

I wouldn't mind.

Whatever you want.

I couldn't care less.

May I interrupt for a minute?

Can I stop you there for a moment?

Sorry, Could I just mention that...

May I have a word?

Do you mind if I interrupt you?

If I could just come in here. I think....

What are your symptoms?

How are you feeling today?

Do you have any allergies?

Do you have any medicine to take?

Talking about general illness:

I've got a slight headache.

I have a high blood pressure.

I'm in a lot of pain.

I'm having difficulty breathing.

I'm not sleeping very well at the moment.

Are you feeling any better?

How long have you been feeling like this?

I've got a sore throat.

I have pain in my back.

My head is spinning.

I have a stomach ache.

I'm not feeling very well.

43. Ability

Asking about ability:

Can you lift this table?

Can you speak English?

Can you help me?

Can you play the piano?

Will you be able to come to my birthday party this weekend?

Are you able to go out with me tonight?

Expressing ability:

I can speak 5 languages.

I can swim 2 kilometers.

I can't help you.

I won't be able to come to your birthday party.

I will be able to see you next week.

When I finish this course, I will be able to find a good job.

When I was a child I could play football very well.

I was not able to visit him yesterday.

44. Giving good news

Giving good news:

I've got some good news for you...

I've got a bit of good news for you...

I'm really pleased to tell you...

I'm really happy to inform you that...

I have some amazing news for you...

Are you ready for this? I've got some great news for you....

I'm so excited to tell you that ...

Responding to good news:

I'm so glad to hear that!

That's great!

Sounds great!

That's wonderful!

Incredible!

Wonderful! Thank you for sharing.

Really? Are you serious?

I can't believe that!

45. Giving bad news

Giving bad news:

I'm afraid I've got some bad news for you...

I'm so sorry but...

I'm sorry to have to tell you that ...

I know this isn't what you want to hear but...

I'm afraid to inform you of ...

It is my unfortunate duty to tell you that ...

I really feel bad to have to say this,

but ...

I really don't know how to say it, but ...

Responding to bad news:

I'm sorry to hear that...

That's awful!

Please, accept my deepest sympathy.

Too bad!

You must be feeling terrible ...

Poor you!

Anytime you need to talk, just call me ...

If there's anything I can do, just let me know...

46. Expressing Disappointment

That's too bad.

How disappointing!

It's a great shame.

It didn't live up to my expectations.

What a letdown!

I thought you could do better.

I've never been so disappointed in my life.

It wasn't as good as I thought it would be.

That's so disappointing!

It's a little bit disappointing, isn't it!

What a bummer!

Oh no, what a shame!

What a pity!

That's a nuisance!

47. Asking and Giving Instructions

Asking for Instructions:

How do I...?

How do I go about...?

What is the best way to...?

Can you show me how to...? Do you know how to...?

What do you suggest?

What is the first step?

Giving instructions:

First, you...

Lastly, you...

Then, you...

Next, you...

Starting out:

The first thing you do is... Before you begin, (you should...)

The best place to begin is... I would start by...

Continuing:

After that,

Once you've done that, then...

The next step is to...

The next thing you do is...

When you finish that, then...

Finishing:

The last step is...

When you've finished,...

The last thing you do is... In the end,...

When you've completed all the steps,...

48. Expressing Prohibition

It is forbidden to...

You are not allowed to ...

You must not ...

You are not permitted to...

You are not to...

It is prohibited to ...

You can't...

Examples:

You are not allowed to smoke in this area.

You are not to feed the animals.

It is forbidden to swim here.

It is prohibited to walk on the grass.

You must not tell anyone about it.
open.

You are not permitted to be late.

49. Expressing Shock

I was shocked to hear...

We're all in complete shock.

I was stunned by...

That's the last thing I expected.

I'd never have guessed.

50. Blaming and Accusing

Expressions of Blaming Someone:

It's your fault.

It's your mistake.

How could you do such a thing?

What on earth were you thinking?

I think you are the one who could have done it.

Expressions of Accusing Someone:

It must have been you who did it.

I think you're the only person who could have done it.

You must be doing something wrong.

Accepting blaming and accusing:

I'm sorry. It's my fault.

I'm really sorry. I didn't mean to.

It's my responsibility. I'm sorry.

Refusing blaming and accusing:

It's not true.

It's not my fault.

I didn't do it.

You're wrong. It wasn't me.

You must not leave the window

Who could have predicted it?

The news came as a complete shock.

You're kidding!

Oh, my god! Really?

I can't believe that you did it.

Are you out of your mind?

I think you are the one to blame.

I'm sorry for the things I've done.

Sorry for my fault.

You're right! It's my fault. I'm sorry.

I'm not the one to blame.

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