

# En el restaurante: 24 palabras y cómo pedir

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## LA REGLA

Para pedir hay dos fórmulas y las dos valen: I'd like... (educada, sirve siempre) y I'll have... (más rápida, en el momento de pedir). Detrás va el plato directamente, sin to: I'd like the soup, please. La comida se pide con order o con ask FOR, y I want a secas no está mal escrito pero suena a orden.

**¡Ojo! — el fallo típico.** Preservative es «conservante», no «preservativo». Y bland es «soso», no «blando»: lo blando de textura es soft. La cuenta se pide con the bill, nunca con «the account».

### 1 Une cada situación con lo que dirías.

Can I book a table? · I'll have the steak. · I'm allergic to nuts. · The bill, please. · The menu, please.

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| You want to see what they have today  | ..... |
| You have finished and you want to pay | ..... |
| You cannot eat nuts                   | ..... |
| You want a table for Friday night     | ..... |
| The waiter is waiting for your order  | ..... |

### 2 ¿Suena educado o demasiado seco? Reparte.

Bring the bill now. · Could we have the bill, please? · Give me the soup. · I want water. · I'd like the soup, please. · I'll have the fish, thanks.

| Polite | Too direct |
|--------|------------|
| .....  | .....      |
| .....  | .....      |
| .....  | .....      |
| .....  | .....      |

### 3

I'd like my steak ..... done, please.  
☐ well   ☐ good   ☐ very   ☐ much

### 4

"Still or ..... water?" "Still, please."  
☐ sparkling   ☐ gassy   ☐ gaseous   ☐ with gas

### 5

No dessert for me, thank you: I'm .....

### 6 Hay una palabra equivocada. Escribe la frase bien.

Can you bring me the account, please?  
 .....

### 7 Hay DOS errores. Escribe la frase bien.

This cake has conservants and I am allergic of nuts.  
 .....

### 8 Hay DOS errores. Escribe la frase bien.

Excuse me, we are ready for order. I take the fish, please. ....

### 9

Which sentence is natural in a restaurant?

- ☐ The soup was bland, so we asked for some salt.
- ☐ The soup was soft, so we asked for some salt.
- ☐ The soup was bland, so we asked for a salt.
- ☐ The soup was preservative, so we asked for some salt.

### 10

Which answer sounds best to "Are you ready to order?"

- ☐ Yes, I'll have the lasagne, please.
- ☐ Yes, I take the lasagne, please.
- ☐ Yes, I like the lasagne, please.
- ☐ Yes, I'm liking the lasagne, please.

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Recorta o dobla esta página antes de dar la ficha.

- 1 You want to see what they have today → The menu, please. ·  
You have finished and you want to pay → The bill, please. ·  
You cannot eat nuts → I'm allergic to nuts. · You want a table  
for Friday night → Can I book a table? · The waiter is waiting  
for your order → I'll have the steak.
- 2 Polite: I'd like the soup, please., I'll have the fish, thanks.,  
Could we have the bill, please? · Too direct: Give me the  
soup., Bring the bill now., I want water.
- 3 I'd like my steak well done, please.
- 4 "Still or sparkling water?" "Still, please."
- 5 No dessert for me, thank you: I'm full.
- 6 Can you bring me the account, please? → Can you bring me  
the bill, please?
- 7 This cake has conservants and I am allergic of nuts. → This  
cake has preservatives and I am allergic to nuts.
- 8 Excuse me, we are ready for order. I take the fish, please. →  
Excuse me, we are ready to order. I'll have the fish, please.
- 9 Which sentence is natural in a restaurant? → The soup was  
bland, so we asked for some salt.
- 10 Which answer sounds best to "Are you ready to order?" →  
Yes, I'll have the lasagne, please.