

Chapter 9

A wie Anfang (p. 132)

Hanna Lahti and Julia Seidl are planning their holiday, and they reserve a hotel room. Make your own reservation.

Jetzt geht's los!

In chapter 9, Hanna and Julia go for a holiday to Tirol, and they arrive to the hotel.

In this chapter, you will learn:

- to reserve a hotel room and to check in
- expressions needed on the phone
- seasons and months
- possessive pronouns

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im Sommer / im Juni
in the summer / in June

Anfang / Mitte / Ende Dezember
in the beginning / mid / at the end of December

Many times, you can find out the meaning of the word using other languages.

Sprechen wir mal! (p. 135)

At a hotel

Ich habe eine Reservierung auf den Namen...

I have a reservation under the name ...

Haben Sie ein Zimmer frei?

Do you have a room available?

Ein Einzelzimmer/Doppelzimmer? Für wie viele Personen?
Single/Double room? For how many persons?

Wie lange möchten Sie bleiben?
How long are you staying?

Eine Nacht. / Zwei Nächte. / Eine Woche.
One night. / Two nights. / One week.

Was kostet das Zimmer pro Nacht?
How much does one night cost?

Ist der Preis mit Frühstück?
Is breakfast inclusive in the price?

Wann gibt es Frühstück?
When is the breakfast?

Gibt es WLAN im Zimmer? Sie können von 7.30 bis 10.30 Uhr frühstücken.
Is there Wi-Fi in the room? The breakfast is from 7.30 to 10.30 a.m.

Ist das Zimmer mit Bad oder Dusche?
Is there a bathtub or a shower in the room?

On the phone

Hallo? ...am Apparat/Telefon.
Hello? ...speaking.

Guten Tag, Herr/Frau... Hier spricht...
Good afternoon, Mr./Mrs.... This is .. speaking.

Kann ich bitte (mit) Herrn/Frau... sprechen?
Can I speak to Mr./Mrs. ..., please?

Einen Moment bitte.
Just a moment, please.

Er/Sie ist jetzt nicht da/erreichbar.
(S)he is not available at the moment.

Er/Sie kann mich am Nachmittag zurückrufen.
(S)he can call me back in the afternoon.

Vielen Dank für den Anruf!

Thank you for calling.

Auf Wiederhören! / Tschüs! / Bis bald! / Bis später!

Goodbye! / Bye bye! / Talk to you soon/later!

You call to your business associate's company. Rehearse phone calls with your partner. Remember to switch roles.

Revise talking about the weather from page 45. Ask and answer your partner, what the weather is like at different times.

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1. a) Fill in the opposites using the chapter.

b) Write three sentences, in which you use as many words from ex. a, as possible.

2. Fill in the missing words according to the hints.

1. extra hours
2. holiday week
3. relaxation
4. plans
5. opportunities
6. programme
7. to hike
8. scenery

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3. a) Answer the questions according to the chapter. Use complete sentences.

b) Summarise the content of the chapter in German using the key words.

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The alphabet and the telephone alphabet

Wie bitte? Wie ist Ihr Name nochmal? Können Sie bitte buchstabieren?

Excuse me? How was your name again? Can you spell it, please?

4. a) Ask three of your course mates their name and ask them to spell it.

b) Listen to the messages left on an answering machine and write the names of the callers.

zurück/rufen	to call back
der Punkt	dot
stornieren	cancel

5. The online reservation form of Hotel Kohlerhof doesn't work, so Florian phones the hotel. Listen to the conversation and fill in the missing information.

die Bestätigung confirmation

1. Florian wants to reserve a _____ room.
2. He arrives to the hotel on _____ and stays for _____ nights.
3. The room costs _____ € per night.
4. The breakfast _____ in the price.
5. The room has _____.
6. Florian's phone number is _____ and e-mail address _____.

6. You have a couple of days off and you arrive to a hotel. Do the dialog with your partner.

Kunde / Kundin

Good morning! I have a reservation under the name ...

Guten Morgen, Herr/Frau ...
Willkommen im Hotel Kohlerhof. Ihre Reservierung ist ein Einzelzimmer, richtig / nicht wahr?

Exactly./Correct.

Wie lange möchten Sie bleiben?

For two nights.

Alles klar. Hier noch eine Unterschrift, bitte.

With pleasure. Is the Wi-Fi in the room?

Natürlich.

And when is breakfast?

Sie können von 6.30 bis 9.30 Uhr frühstücken. Hier ist Ihr Schlüssel. Zimmer Nummer 231.

OK. Thank you very much.

Rezeptionist/in

Guten Morgen! Ich habe eine Reservierung auf den Namen...

Good morning, Mr./Mrs. ...

Welcome to hotel Kohlerhof. Your reservation is a single room, right?

Genau. / Das ist richtig.

How long are you staying for?

Ich möchte zwei Nächte bleiben.

OK. Sign here, please.

Gerne. Gibt es WLAN im Zimmer?

Of course.

Und wann gibt es Frühstück?

The breakfast is from 6.30 to 9.30 a.m. Here is your key. Room number 231.

Alles klar. Vielen Dank.

b) The holiday has to wait a little longer, because you have to make a work related phone call. Do the dialog with your partner.

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Donaubau, good morning. Müller speaking.	Donaubau, guten Morgen! Müller am Telefon/Apparat.
Guten Morgen, Herr/Frau Müller. Hier spricht ... Kann ich bitte (mit) Frau Lahti sprechen?	Good morning, Mr./Mrs. ... This is ... speaking. Can I speak to Mrs. Lahti, please?
Unfortunately, she is not available.	Sie ist leider nicht da/erreichbar.

Kann ich eine Nachricht hinterlassen?	Can I leave a message?
Of course.	Natürlich./Gerne.
Frau Lahti kann mich bitte am Nachmittag anrufen/zurückrufen.	Mrs. Lahti can phone me back in the afternoon.
All right. Thank you for calling.	Alles klar. Vielen Dank für den Anruf.
Ich danke Ihnen. Auf Wiederhören!	Thank you. Goodbye!
Goodbye!	Auf Wiederhören!

Possessive pronouns

- When you want to express the owner, you need possessive pronouns.

How do you say the following in German? Use the chapter.

their holiday week	_____
your name	_____
my name	_____
your reservation	_____
their hotel	_____
its location	_____
our room	_____
our holiday week	_____
(enjoy) my tranquility	_____
his plans	_____

Fill in the missing possessive pronouns in the table using the examples above.

	masculine & neuter	feminine & plural	
ich			my
du	dein	deine	your
er	sein	_____	his/her/its
es	sein	_____	
sie	ihr	ihre	
wir			our
ihr	euer	eure	your
sie			their

Sie			your (polite form)
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- Use the shorter forms, if the word in question is _____ or _____.
- Use the forms ending in -e, if the word in question is _____ or _____.
e.g. diere Reservierung → meinere Reservierung
diere Reservierungen → deinere Reservierungen
- You can express the owner also with the preposition von or adding the ending –s to a name: die Reservierung **von** Hanna
Hannas Reservierung

7. Vier gewinnt! Try to get four in a row by saying the word in the square in German. At the same time, try to prevent your partner from getting four in a row. If your answer is right, mark the square with a cross or a circle. Then it's your partner's turn.

8. Rehearse the possessive pronouns with your partner according to the example.

9. a) Hanna and Julia's holiday has started nicely. Fill in the correct possessive pronouns.

b) Talk with your partner, how is Hanna and Julia's breakfast. Revise the breakfast vocabulary on page 78.

10. Fill in the possessive pronouns to Hanna and Julia's excursion. Which case is it?

11. a) Read the brochure about Zillertal and then answer the questions.

verbringen

to spend

das Reiseziel	the destination
die Fahrradroute	biking route
die Hütte, -n	cabin
reiten	to ride a horse
der Ausflug, -e+	excursion
das Rodeln	sledging
die Après-Ski-Bar, -s	after ski bar
buchen	to book

1. What can one do in Zillertal in the summer?
2. What experiences does the leisure time programme offer?
3. What winter sport do they offer?
4. What can one do after winter sport?
5. To whom is the leisure time offer of Zillertal directed?

b) Make yourself a mind map about leisure time using the vocabulary in the text. You can broaden it using a dictionary.

c) Talk in small groups about the leisure time activities mentioned in the text. Find out, what the people in your group like and why. Finally make a plan for a weekend together in Tirol.