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**Your English**

Vocabulary Building



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**Podcast No. 5 Small Talk 1**

Hi. I am Marianne. I am back with short sentences for you to repeat or complete. Let's get started.

*Small Talk—you meet someone briefly. There are several possibilities. Listen and repeat.*

Hi!	Hello	Hi	How's the job?
How are you?	How are you doing?	How are you?	Fine.
Fine.	Good.	Good.	Give me a call.
See you later.	Drop by sometime.	See you around.	Right, call you.

<p>How are things going?          Fine.          How about getting together sometime?          Good idea. Send me an e-mail.          How's life treating you?          Good.          Be seeing you.          So long.</p>
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*There are a few ways of greeting someone. Here are some questions. Listen and repeat.*

How are you?

How's the job?

How's life treating you?

How are you doing?

How are things going?

*There is also an exclamation: " Long time, no see!" Repeat. Long time, no see!*

*There are many more expressions when saying goodbye. Listen and repeat these final words.*

I must be going.

Give me a call.

Give my regards to your family.

Give my regards to your family.

Drop in when you have a chance.

Drop by sometime.

Looking forward to seeing you again.

See you tomorrow.

Send me a line.

I'll get a hold of you.

Send me a card.

Keep in touch.

Send me an SMS.

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*And of course the famous one: “Take care.” Listen and repeat: Take care.*

*When you know what a person is going to do you can use the following expressions. Listen and repeat.*

Have a good weekend.  
Have a nice day.

Have a nice trip.  
Have a nice part.

*And if you wish to be very impolite you can say: “Don't call me. I'll call you.” Repeat.*

Don't call me. I'll call you.

*Now let us make the distinction between “See you later” and “See you soon.” And “See you later” implies the same day, but “See you soon” means sometime in the future and of course not the same day. Listen and repeat.*

See you later.

See you soon.

*And we also have “So long.” This has no time reference. It is very vague as to time. Repeat.*

So long.

*Now we will try a conversation. I will speak and in the blanks you can say whatever you wish from the expressions above. Let's go. Be sure to speak in the blanks. (I have given some suggested answers.)*

Hi! How are you?  
Good.

I must be going.  
See you later.

*Let's go onto another one slightly longer.*

Hi! How's life treating you?  
Fine.  
Long time, no see!  
How about getting together sometime?

Give me a call.  
Drop by sometime.  
I must be going.  
So long.

*Practice these expressions as often as possible.*

*Finally just listen and repeat.*

That's the end of our podcast. I will be back in just a few days. Goodbye and thank you for listening. And don't forget to keep smiling!

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