

1. Au café

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QCA SoW:	Unit 23
Vocabulary:	<i>Vous désirez?; je voudrais une pizza/ une portion de frites/un verre d'eau/ un verre propre/l'addition; voilà; bon appétit!; merci; s'il vous plaît; il y a un problème?; c'est trop petit/trop salé/sale</i>
Functions:	Asking someone what they want; ordering food and drink; attracting attention in a café; asking if there is a problem; explaining a problem; wishing someone a good meal
Grammar	<i>Je voudrais + noun; c'est (trop) + adjective</i>
Characters	2 (waiter/waitress, customer)

Props: Menu; notepad; 2 plates (one with a pizza, one with chips – these could be drawn onto paper plates); 2 glasses of water; five one euro coins; tablecloth and cutlery, if wanted

Sound effects: None

Costumes: Apron for waiter/waitress

Set: Café setting: table and chairs

Chorus possible: No

Notes

- Encourage pupils to extend the playlet by adding in more things for the customer to complain about: cold soup, dry bread, etc.

Translation

At the café

Waiter	Good morning, Sir/Madam. What would you like?	Customer	Thank you.
Customer	I'd like a pizza, please.	Customer	Oh blast! Excuse me ...
Waiter	A pizza ... very good.	Waiter	Yes, Sir/Madam. Is there a problem?
Customer	Thank you.	Customer	Yes! The glass is dirty. I'd like a clean glass.
Waiter	Here's your pizza. Enjoy your meal!	Waiter	A clean glass ... very good.
Customer	Thank you.	Customer	Thank you.
Customer	Oh blast! Excuse me ...	Waiter	Here's your clean glass. Enjoy your meal!
Waiter	Yes, Sir/Madam. Is there a problem?	Customer	Thank you.
Customer	Yes, the pizza ... It's too small. I'd like a portion of chips too.	Customer	Excuse me ...
Waiter	A portion of chips ... very good.	Waiter	Yes, Sir/Madam. Is there a problem?
Customer	Thank you.	Customer	No, no, no! I'd like the bill, please
Waiter	Here's your portion of chips. Enjoy your meal!	Waiter	Here's the bill. That will be nine euros.
Customer	Thank you.	Customer	One ... two ... three ... four ... five ... Excuse me ...
Customer	Oh blast! Excuse me ...	Waiter	Yes, Sir/Madam. Is there a problem?
Waiter	Yes, Sir/Madam. Is there a problem?	Customer	Er, yes ... I haven't got nine euros. I've got five euros.
Customer	Yes! The chips are too salty. I'd like a glass of water too.	Waiter	Dear, oh dear! Off to the kitchen! You'll have to do the washing-up!
Waiter	A glass of water ... very good.		
Customer	Thank you.		
Waiter	Here's your glass of water. Enjoy your meal!		

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A customer is seated at a café table reading the menu. The waiter/waitress approaches.

The customer is rather pompous. The waiter/waitress is polite.

Waiter (to customer) Bonjour, Monsieur (or Madame).
Vous désirez?

Customer Je voudrais une pizza, s'il vous plaît.

Waiter (writing on pad) Une pizza ... très bien.

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Waiter (returns with pizza on a plate) Une pizza, voilà.
Bon appétit!

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Customer (looks at pizza, disappointed) Ah zut!
(raises hand to call waiter) S'il vous plaît ...

Waiter (goes to customer) Oui, Monsieur (or Madame)? Il y a un problème?

Customer (points to pizza) Oui! La pizza, c'est trop petit. Je voudrais aussi une portion de frites.

Waiter (writing on pad) Une portion de frites ... très bien.

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Waiter (returns with chips on a plate) Une portion de frites, voilà. Bon appétit!

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Customer (tastes a chip, looks disappointed) Ah zut!
(raises hand to call waiter) S'il vous plaît ...

Waiter (goes to customer) Oui, Monsieur (or Madame)? Il y a un problème?

Customer (points to chips) Oui! Les frites, c'est trop salé. Je voudrais aussi un verre d'eau.

Waiter (writing on pad) Un verre d'eau ... très bien.

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Waiter (returns with glass of water) Un verre d'eau, voilà. Bon appétit!

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.



Customer (looks at glass, disappointed) Ah zut!

(raises hand to call waiter) S'il vous plaît ...

Waiter (goes to customer, starting to get annoyed) Oui, Monsieur (or Madame)? Il y a un problème?

Customer (points to glass) Oui! Le verre, c'est sale. Je voudrais un verre propre.

Waiter (struggling to be polite) Un verre propre ... très bien.

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Waiter (returns with second glass) Un verre propre ... voilà. Bon appétit!

Customer Merci.

Waiter goes off.

Customer (eats and drinks and finishes meal)

(raises hand to call waiter) S'il vous plaît ...

Waiter (goes to customer, annoyed) Oui, Monsieur (or Madame)? Il y a un problème?

Customer (shakes head) Non, non, non! Je voudrais l'addition, s'il vous plaît.

Waiter (goes off and comes back with the bill) Voilà l'addition. Ça fait neuf euros.

Waiter goes off.

Customer (searches in wallet)

(counts out coins one by one) Un ... deux ... trois ... quatre ... cinq ...

(sheepishly raises hand to call waiter)

S'il vous plaît ...

Waiter (goes to customer, really annoyed) Oui, Monsieur (or Madame)?

Il y a un problème?

Customer Euh, oui ... Je n'ai pas neuf euros ...

j'ai cinq euros.

Waiter (holds head in despair, then points to kitchen)

Oh là là! À la cuisine! Vous allez faire la vaisselle!

Customer slinks off to kitchen, head down in disgrace.



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Activity Sheet

- a) Listen to the play and then copy these sentences into the right bubble.
b) Listen again to check.

Merci.

Je n'ai pas 9 euros, j'ai 5 euros.

Oui, madame. Il y a un problème?

Je voudrais une pizza, s'il vous plaît.



- c) On the back of the sheet, draw a picture to go with these bubbles.

Il y a un problème ?

Oui, le verre, c'est sale !