

LESSON NOTES

Learn Bulgarian in Three Minutes #1

Self-Introductions

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The focus of this lesson is Self Introduction in Bulgarian

Topic 1: How to Introduce yourself in an informal situation

Sentence from the lesson:

Здрасти, аз се казвам Ива. Приятно ми е да се запознаем.
Zdrasti, az se kazvam Iva. Priyatno mi e da se zapoznaem.
"Hi, I'm Iva. Nice to meet you."

1. You say *Здрасти, аз се казвам*.
2. Say your name. *Здрасти, аз се казвам Ива*.
3. You say *Приятно ми е да се запознаем*.

Topic 2: How to Introduce yourself in a formal situation

Sentence from the lesson:

Здравейте, аз се казвам Ива Георгиева. Приятно ми е да се запознаем.
Zdraveite, az se kazvam Iva Georgieva. Priyatno mi e da se zapoznaem.
"Hello, I'm Iva Georgieva. Nice to meet you."

1. *Здрасти* has been substituted with the formal greeting *Здравейте*, formal Bulgarian for "Hello."
2. *Аз се казвам Ива* has not been changed; *аз се казвам* stands in both cases for "I am" or "My name is," however during a formal self introduction we also say our last name, so I said *Ива Георгиева*. Here, you would say your full name.
3. Finally, the ending remains the same: *Приятно ми е да се запознаем*. It is a universal Bulgarian greeting meaning "Nice to meet you."

Language Tip!

When you introduce yourself, it's a good habit to shake hands in Bulgaria and, if you are not sure whether to use *здрасти* or *здравейте* just simply say *добър ден*, which means "hello" and is used during the daytime.

