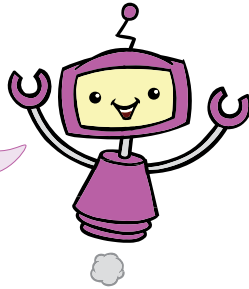


# Pleased to meet you!

Peter, Anna! I've just been looking over the guest list for next week's party. There are a few new names I don't recognise. You'll need to use your best manners when introducing your guests to each other. No need to be nervous, I'll help you out.



**LINKS TO:**

Stage 3, Module 5  
Learning Object 2: *Kate's adventures*

**PRIOR LEARNING:**

**Stage 1**

Module 2 Work Sheet 4: *Greetings and farewells*  
Module 5 Work Sheet 4: *Many ways of saying 'you'*

**Stage 2**

Module 1 Work Sheet 6: *Friendly chatter*

## 1 Allow me to introduce

Knowing how to introduce people in social situations is an important social skill that gets easier with practice.

In Learning Object 2, *Kate's adventures*, Kate was introduced to Nina's aunt, a male classmate and Anna's class. Each of the introductions started with a sentence that identified the person's name.

➔ For example:

*Ini Kate. Dia teman Anna dan Peter. Dia bertemu Yulia di Australia.*

This is Kate, Anna and Peter's friend. She met Yulia in Australia.

*Tono, kenalkan, ini Kate.*

Tono, this is Kate.

Other popular ways to introduce people include:

*Kenalkan, ini ...*

Let me introduce ...

*Apa kamu sudah kenal Kate?*

Do you know Kate?

## Indonesian introductions

In formal situations, Indonesians tend to say very little. They usually just say their name, followed by a handshake.

➔ For example:

*Kenalkan. Yulia.*

Let me introduce Yulia.

*Edi!*

Edi!

After this, they would shake hands and start asking questions about family, work and social position to try and find out more about each other.

➔ For example:

*Kamu belajar di sekolah mana?*

Which school do you study at?

*Kamu biasanya suka melakukan apa?*

What do you normally like doing?

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Occasionally, however, the phrase, *Senang sekali bertemu dengan Anda*, or 'I am pleased to meet you', is said as a response. There are two reasons for this; it could be because the person being introduced is a westerner, or because the person saying it has

adopted a western manner and is incorporating it into their speech style. So, when introduced to an Indonesian, you may choose to use the above phrase or not.

## 2 The etiquette of introductions

If you find yourself in a situation where you need to introduce people in Indonesian, there are a few etiquette rules to remember.

### 1. Always introduce an older person to a younger person.

➔ For example:

*Bu, ini teman saya, Anna Smart.*  
Aunt, this is my friend, Miss Anna Smart.

### 2. In formal and informal situations, mention the person's relationship to yourself and then their first name, using the correct term of address.

➔ For example:

*Anna, ini tante saya, Tante Ida.*  
Anna, this is my Aunt Ida.

An exception to this rule is when teenagers are meeting for the first time. In this case, it is acceptable

to just use first names, or sometimes even nicknames, to introduce each other.

### 3. To avoid awkwardness or silence in the conversation, the person performing the introductions should add extra information about how they know the person, or about the common interests of the two people being introduced.

➔ For example:

*Kate teman sekolahku dari Australia.*  
Kate is my classmate from Australia.  
*Tono, kamu pasti suka Kate. Dia juga suka main sepak bola.*  
Tono, you'll be good friends with Kate. She also likes to play soccer.

The goal of a good introduction is to provide enough information so that the newly introduced people can go on to maintain a conversation.

## Note:

Indonesians do not generally use the western naming practice of a given first name and a family surname as we understand them. As you have previously learnt, some names are geographically and culturally specific. For example, names such as Suyanto and Soeharto which begins with 'Su' or 'Soe' and end with 'o' are usually Javanese. Many Indonesians, in fact, have only a single name.

## 3 The language of introductions

Here are some other expressions that you might encounter or want to use when meeting someone for the first time.

*Apa kamu masih ingat ...?*  
Do you still remember ...?

*Tentu saja saya ingat.*  
Of course, I remember.

*\*Tolong perkenalkan temanmu.*  
Please introduce your friend.

*\*Silakan perkenalkan diri.*  
Please introduce yourself.

\* Notice the difference here. *Tolong* is used because it is a request; *Silakan* is used because it is an invitation.

# Exercises

## Exercise 1

Peter and Anna decide to hold a party for their friends, neighbours and family. Kate is excited about this opportunity to meet as many Jakarta people as possible.

Read through the profiles of the guests who will be attending the party at the Smarts' home.

### Profile 1

Nama:	Ibu Sugianto
Jenis kelamin:	Perempuan
Kewarganegaraan:	Indonesia
Pekerjaan:	Ibu rumah tangga
Hobi:	Kesenian

Nama suaminya adalah Bapak Sugianto.

Mereka mempunyai dua orang anak, seorang anak laki-laki dan seorang anak perempuan.

Dia teman akrab Ibu Smart.

Mereka sering mengunjungi Galeri Kesenian bersama-sama.

### Profile 2

Nama:	Wahyu
Jenis kelamin:	Laki-laki
Kewarganegaraan:	Indonesia
Pekerjaan:	Siswa SMP
Hobi:	Bermain hockey dan sepak bola dan menonton film.

Wahyu bertemu dengan Anna dan Peter dalam penerbangan dari Brisbane ke Jakarta.

Dia tinggal di kota Bandung di provinsi Jawa Barat dan sering mengirim email kepada Anna dan Peter.

Dia teman akrab mereka.

### Profile 3

Nama:	Jacki Top
Jenis kelamin:	Laki-laki
Kewarganegaraan:	Indonesia
Pekerjaan:	Bintang film
Hobi:	Masak, mencoba resep baru, mengundang teman untuk makan malam bersama.

Jacki Top adalah seorang bintang film yang terkenal. Dia tampil dalam banyak film aksi yang bagus.

Anna Smart adalah penggemar beranya.

Jacki Top diperkenalkan kepada Anna oleh Pak Hassan Tobing, Presiden Direktur dari perusahaan PT Oz-Indo Logistik.

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#### Profile 4

Nama:	Hassan Tobing
Jenis kelamin:	Laki-laki
Kewarganegaraan:	Indonesia
Pekerjaan:	Presiden Direktur PT Oz-Indo Logistik
Hobi:	Menonton bioskop, membaca dan bepergian ke luar negeri

Pak Hassan adalah majikan Pak Smart.

Dia dan isterinya mempunyai seorang puteri yang sudah tamat universitas jurusan Bahasa dan Sastra Indonesia dan sekarang bekerja sebagai Asisten Dosen Bahasa Indonesia di salah satu universitas di negara bagian Victoria, Australia.

Pak Hassan sudah seringkali ke Australia dalam rangka bisnis.

#### Profile 5

Nama:	Keiko
Jenis kelamin:	Perempuan
Kewarganegaraan:	Jepang
Pekerjaan:	Siswa asing dari Jepang di SMP Harapan Bangsa
Hobi:	Bermain gitar, memelihara anjing kecil, main catur dan hockey.

Keiko berasal dari Tokyo dan sudah tinggal di Jakarta lebih dari tiga tahun.

Ayahnya bekerja sebagai Account Eksekutif di sebuah biro iklan multinasional besar di Jakarta.

Keiko mempunyai banyak teman, baik orang Indonesia maupun orang asing.

Dia teman sekelas Anna dan Peter.

Kadang-kadang mereka pergi ke iCafe untuk makan es krim.

#### Profile 6

Nama:	Kate
Jenis kelamin:	Perempuan
Kewarganegaraan:	Australia
Pekerjaan:	Siswa SMP di Brisbane, Australia
Hobi:	Melukis, senam, main komputer, berenang dan bermain tenis.

Kate adalah teman sekolah Anna dan Peter dari Australia.

Dia tinggal di Teneriffe di kota Brisbane. Ada tujuh orang dalam keluarganya, ayah, ibu, seorang kakak laki-laki, dua orang kakak perempuan dan seorang adik perempuan.

Dia tertarik pada bahasa dan kebudayaan Indonesia dan dia belajar bahasa Indonesia di Australia.

**Based on the information in the profiles, how might Peter introduce the following people to each other?  
Write your answers in Indonesian.**

**1.1 Keiko dan Kate**

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**1.2 Ibu Sugiarto dan Kate**

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**1.3 Wahyu dan Kate**

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**1.4 Pak Hassan dan Kate**

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**1.5 Jacki Top dan Kate**

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## Exercise 2

Read the profiles of the six guests again. Using the language you have learnt in this and earlier modules, write short dialogues, in Indonesian, between the two guests who have just been introduced.

### 2.1 Keiko dan Kate

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### 2.2 Ibu Sugianto dan Kate

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**2.5 Jacki Top dan Kate**