Unit 5 · Thanking and Congratulating

STUDY NOTES

The unit in one line

- **thank** people for what they do **for you**: *Thank you! Thanks a lot!*
- **congratulate** people on good things that happen **to them**: *Congratulations! Well done!*

Song: Thank you, God

- every line starts *Thank you, God*, then names one thing: the world, food, singing birds, everything
- rhymes: *sweet / eat, sing / everything*
- anyone can be **thankful**: to the farmer, the cook, the earth

Reading I: Messages of Congratulations

Message	For
A	success in an exam (good luck for future studies)
B	performing **successfully** in the exams
C	a new job: a **dream job**, **finally** got
D	winning an **award** (*we are proud of you*)
E	Nepal's football team winning the **gold medal**

- **pattern:** *Well done!* / *Congratulations!* + **what for**: *on your success, for winning the gold medal*
- always **Congratulations**, with **-s**, even to one person; then **on** (more common) or **for**
- **medals:** gold first, silver second, bronze third

Reading II: two thank-you notes

- **thank-you note:** a short letter that says thank you; date, *Dear...*, the thanks, closing, name
- **Jenisha → her aunt** (25th November 2022)
  - thanks for a **dress** for her birthday
  - likes its **color and design** (red, her favorite)
  - thanks her for coming to the party; ends **Love,** (family)
- **Rohan → Mr. Karki**, his English teacher (January 2022)
  - thanks him for teaching English in a nice way; the class was **excited** to learn
  - **appreciates** being greeted in the school **hallways**
  - ends **Sincerely,** (a teacher)
- **say exactly what for:** *Thank you for the lovely dress* is warmer than *Thank you*

Key words

success / successfully: doing well / in a way that works.

perform: do a task, a test or a show.

glad: happy, pleased.

finally: at last.

proud of: very pleased with someone who did well.

award: a prize for doing something well.

lovely: beautiful, attractive.

design: the way something is made; its pattern.

excited: very happy and eager.

appreciate: see that something is good, and be thankful.

hallway: a passage with rooms on both sides.

Speaking: what to say

Thanking	Congratulating
Thank you (very much).	*Congratulations!*
Thanks. / Many thanks.	*Well done! / Great!*
Thank you for your help.	*Congratulations on your success!*
Cheers. (friends)	*Congrats!* (friends)

- answer thanks: **You're welcome.** / **No problem.**
- answer congratulations: **Thank you!**
- with teachers and elders: *Thank you very much*, *Congratulations*
- a wedding, a new baby, a prize, a pass → congratulate; a gift, help, change from a shop → thank

Grammar I: adverbs of manner

- **noun**: names a person, place, thing (*team*)
- **verb**: an action or state (*win, is*)
- **adjective**: tells about a noun; answers **what kind?** (*a gold medal*)
- **adverb**: tells about a verb; answers **how?** (*She ran quickly.*)
- **adverb of manner** = how it is done, often **-ly**: *softly, loudly, greedily*

- **choose from the clue:** a slippery road → walk *carefully*; nobody knew → entered *quietly*
- *well, successfully* tell how; *finally* tells when

Grammar II: adjective or adverb?

	Adjective	Adverb
tells about	a noun	a verb
answers	what kind?	how?
example	a **quick** runner	runs **quickly**

Making the adverb

- add **-ly**: *sudden* → *suddenly, careful* → *carefully*
- consonant + y → **-ily**: *easy* → *easily, hungry* → *hungrily*
- -le → **-ly**: *gentle* → *gently*
- **good → well**; **fast, hard** don't change
- **-ly but adjectives:** *lovely, lonely, friendly, ugly*
- **odd one out:** find the one doing a different job (*nice, beautiful, pretty, **happily***)

Pronunciation: syllables

- **syllable** = one beat, one vowel **sound**; your chin drops once for each
- count sounds, not letters:
  - *like* 1 (silent e)
  - *dream* 1
  - *suc-cess* 2
  - *fi-nal-ly* 3
  - *suc-cess-ful-ly* 4
  - *con-grat-u-la-tions* 5

Writing I: a message of congratulations

1. **greeting**: *Dear Nita,*
2. **congratulate + what for**: *Well done! Congratulations on…*
3. **one kind line**: *I am proud of you.*
4. **a good wish**: *Good luck for…*
5. **closing + name**: *Yours,* Sujan

Writing II: end marks and a postcard

Mark	Ends
. full stop	a statement or an order
? question mark	a question
! exclamation mark	a strong feeling: *Wow! Ouch! We won!*

- **interjections** (*Oh! Wow! Ouch! Hurray!*) take **!**
- one **!** is enough, and only for strong feelings
- **postcard:** picture on the front; back **left** the message (date, greeting, thanks, closing, name); back **right** the stamp and the address

Listening: a phone call

- Kate missed school, feels **better**, goes back **tomorrow**
- Paul tells her the English homework: **read pages 23 and 24**
- Kate thanks him for telling her, and for asking how she was

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Congratulation!
✓ **Congratulations!**

✗ She sings beautiful.
✓ She sings **beautifully**.

✗ He sings goodly.
✓ He sings **well**.

✗ happyly, easyly
✓ **happily, easily**

✗ carefuly
✓ **carefully** (two l's)

✗ Thank you for the pen! — Thank you!
✓ **You're welcome.**

✗ Wow!!!
✓ **Wow!**