


26 How to Pay

The aim of this lesson is to make the students use the key vocabulary and target expressions in a more natural manner.

Language Point

<p>I'm stuffed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I'm full. - I've had enough. - I don't have any more room. - I can't eat another bite. 	
<p>Nonsense.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't be silly. - Stop it. - No way. 	
<p>Let's split it We can split it</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Let's share the check - Let's go fifty-fifty - Let's pay separately 	
<p>Can we have this wrapped up?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can we get this to go? - Could we take this to go? 	

Key vocabulary

check	doggy bag	come on
split	deal	seriously

Part 1

I. INTRODUCTION

Splitting the bill after dining at a restaurant is a common practice among friends. Generally, the person who has initiated the invitation becomes **adamant** about **footing the bill**. In this case, the person who has been invited can accept the offer but should **return the favor** the next time.



II. PRESENTATION

A. Expressions

	Questions:
I'm stuffed.	▪ When was the last time you were very satisfied with your meal?
Let's split it We can split it	▪ After eating at a restaurant, do you often split the bill with your friends or do you treat them and pay the whole amount alone?
Can we have this wrapped up?	▪ Do you often take your leftover food?

B. Dialogue

Practice the dialogues with your teacher.

1. Signal for a Check

Tim: Ready to go?

Mary: Yes, all set. I'm stuffed.

Tim: *(make a signing motion with his hand)* Check, please.

Waitress: Here you go. I'll take it whenever you're ready.

Mary: Can we have this wrapped up? A doggy bag?

Waitress: Absolutely. Be right back.

Mary: She's very nice. Give her a good tip.

Tim: *(laughing)* I always give a good tip!

2. Splitting a Bill

Wilson: Excuse me. *(to the waiter)* Can I get the check please?

Ron : No, I got this.

Wilson: Nonsense. You paid last time.

Ron : No, I didn't. You did!

Wilson: Well, I invited you, so I'm paying. End of story.

Ron : Come on, seriously let me get it, or at least let's split it.

Wilson: Fine, we can split it. But I'm paying for the movie.

Ron : Okay! Deal.

Q & A!



- What are the disadvantages of using a credit card when paying the bill at a restaurant?
- What are some reasons people eat out at a restaurant?
- Is restaurant food healthy?

Part 2

III. PRACTICE

Use the newly learned vocabulary and expressions in the following practice exercises.

A. Breaking the Norms

Directions: If you were in the following situations, what would you do?
Elaborate on your answer.

You promise your friends to treat them at a restaurant. When it is time to pay the bill, you realize that your wallet is not in your bag.

Would you go home to get your money or ask your friends to settle the bill?

You order too much and there are leftovers. You want to take them home but it is the rush hour.

Would you ask the server to wrap them up or would you just leave the food behind?

You welcome a new foreign co-worker and invite him to have a drink with you at a bar. When it is time to pay the bill, he insists on paying.

Would you let him pay or would you persuade him to pay the bill the next time?

B. Let's Talk!

Directions: Talk about the advantages and disadvantages of having a *cashless and paperless society* in the future.



Advantages

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Disadvantages

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

C. Role-Play

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Your friend insists on paying the bill at the restaurant.
However, he also treated you the last time you ate out.
Tell him that you wish to pay the bill this time.

Use the vocabulary and expressions you have learned.