Learn how to introduce yourself on an online course.

Before reading

Do the preparation task first. Then read the text and tips and do the exercises.

Preparation task

Choose the five things you can say when you introduce yourself on an online course.

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<th>Hello</th>
<th>Your age</th>
<th>Where you are from</th>
<th>Your address</th>
<th>Your phone number</th>
<th>Why you’re doing the course</th>
<th>Good luck</th>
<th>If you are married or single</th>
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New messages

**10 Sep, 00:04 – Israa Al Ahmadi**
Hi everyone! I’m from Qatar. Nice to meet you. It’s my first time studying online. I hope to learn a lot from the course and from all of you!

**9 Sep, 15:04 – Jonathan Davies**
Welcome everyone. I’m Canadian but living in Scotland. The last time I studied anything was forty years ago ... I’m a bit nervous! Good luck, everyone!

**9 Sep, 11:21 – Le Thi Ha**
Hello. I’m so happy to be doing this course. I’ve finished two other online courses this year so I’m looking forward to my third. I’m from Vietnam by the way. Looking forward to meeting you all!

**9 Sep, 10:43 – Carlos Garcia Gonzales**
Hi! Looks like I’m the first one here so … hi to everyone who joins the course and nice to meet you! Good luck with the course and see you in the next lesson!

Tips

1. Keep your introduction short and clear.
2. Say hello and give a little bit of information about yourself. Don’t say anything too private or personal.
3. You can say what you hope to get or learn.
4. Wish people good luck.
5. You don’t have to write full sentences.
6. You might use more exclamation marks (!) than in formal writing because it looks friendly.
Tasks

Task 1
Put the words and phrases in the correct groups.

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Task 2
Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

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2. Nice meet to you!
3. looking studying with you. I’m forward to
4. to happy so be doing this course. I’m
to
5. bit I’m a nervous!
6. year. finished two I’ve courses this
Task 3
Are the sentences true or false?

1. You should write a lot.  
2. It is good to say something private and personal.  
3. You can say what you hope to learn on the course.  
4. It is good to be friendly and wish people good luck.  
5. It is bad to use exclamation marks (!).  
6. This type of writing is formal.

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Discussion
What do you like about studying online?
Answers

Preparation task
1. Hello
2. Your age
3. Where you are from
4. Why you’re doing the course
5. Good luck

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Task 2
1. Good luck, everyone!
2. Nice to meet you!
3. I’m looking forward to studying with you.
4. I’m so happy to be doing this course.
5. I’m a bit nervous!
6. I’ve finished two courses this year.

Task 3
1. False
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. False