Hello everyone,

I'm Dee, and welcome to Dee's English recorded at Dee's English Studio!

And I'm Minako.

Today, we're going to talk about one of the most fundamental skills in English: **introductions**.

Being able to introduce yourself in English is one of the most basic yet very important things to master when learning the language. Whether you're meeting someone for the first time or joining a new group, knowing how to introduce yourself can help you make a great first impression.

There are different ways to introduce yourself depending on the setting, and today, we'll cover two common scenarios: casual and formal introductions.

1. Casual Introduction

Let's start with a **casual introduction**.

Imagine you're at a meet and greet or an informal social event. This is a relaxed environment where people are friendly and eager to get to know each other. Here's an example of what a conversation might sound like in this setting:

Dialogue:

Minako: Hi! I'm Minako. Nice to meet you.

Duane: Hi Emily, I'm Duane. Nice to meet you too. How do you know our host?

Minako: Oh, I work with Jessica at the marketing firm downtown. What about you?

Duane: I'm actually her neighbor. She invited me over to join the fun.

Minako: That's great! It's always nice to meet friends of friends.

In this conversation, you can see how Minako and Duane use simple language to introduce themselves and find a common connection. It's casual and easygoing, just like the event they're attending.

2. **Formal Introduction**

Now, let's move on to a **formal introduction**.

Imagine you're at a professional networking event. This setting is a bit more serious, and it's important to make a good impression.
Here's how you might introduce yourself in a more formal context:

Dialogue:

Minako: Good evening. My name is Minako Davis. It's a pleasure to meet you.

Duane: Good evening, Minako. I'm Duane Davis. It's nice to meet you as well. What brings you to the event tonight?

Minako: I'm here to learn more about the industry and to connect with like-minded professionals. I work in business development at ABC Corp. How about you?

Duane: That's great. I'm a project manager at XYZ Ltd., focusing on IT solutions. It's always interesting to meet people from different sectors.

Minako: Absolutely. There's so much we can learn from each other.

As you can see, in a formal introduction, the language is more polite and structured. The speakers give more detailed information about themselves, which is common in professional settings.

Conclusion

So, whether you're in a casual or formal setting, knowing how to introduce yourself appropriately is key. Practice these dialogues, and soon you'll feel more confident introducing yourself in any situation!
Thanks for joining us today at Dee's English Studio. We hope you found these tips helpful. Keep practicing, and we'll see you next time!

[Duane and Minako]: Goodbye!