

Polite Phrases for Class

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- 1) Hallò! Hai!
- 2) Dè thuirt sibh? ~ Jay who-er-sh-ch shiv? - What did you say?
- 3) Dè an t-ainm a th' oirbh? / Dè an t-ainm a th' ort? ~ Jay an ten-um a ha or-iv / Jay an ten-um a ha or-sht? - What is your name?
- 4) Is mise <insert name>. ~ Is (unvoiced) misha <name>. - I am _____
- 5) Càite bheil an taigh beag? ~ Couch-uh vel an tie bek? - Where is the bathroom/restroom/loo?
- 6) A bheil thu a' tuigsinn? ~ A vel oo a took-shin? - Do you understand?
- 7) Chan eil mi a' tuigsinn. ~ chan el me a took-shin. - I don't understand.
- 8) Chan eil fios agam. ~ chan el fees (unv.) ak-um. - I don't know.
- 9) Tha fios agam! ~ Ha fees (unv.) ak-um. - I know!
- 10) Canaibh sin a-rithist. / Can sin a-rithist. ~ Can-uv shin a re-sh-ch / Can shin a re-sh-ch - Say that again?
- 11) Ma 's e ur toil e / ma 's e do thoil e. ~ Ma shay ur toll ay / Ma shay dough hall ay - Please.
- 12) Ciamar a chanas tu...? ~ Key-am-er a hawn-us dew...? - How do you say...?
- 13) Ciamar a chanas mi _____ anns a Ghàidhlig? ~ Key-am-er a hawn-us me _____ ah uns a Gaow-lick? How do I say _____ in Gaelic?
- 14) Tha mi duilich! ~ Ha me do-lich ! - I am sorry!
- 15) Gabhaibh mo leisgeul. / Gabh mo leisgeul. ~ Gav-iv moe lesh-gal / Gav moe lesh-gal - Excuse me.
- 16) Tapadh leibh. / Tapadh leat. ~ Top-ah leave. / Top-ah lot (breathe)! - Thank you.
- 17) 'S e ur beatha. / 'S e do bheatha. ~ Shay ur bay-ha / Shay dough vay-ha - You're welcome.
- 18) Tìoraidh an-dràsta! ~ Cheer-ee ann dras-da! - Cheerio (Bye) just now!
- 19) Tha ceist agam. ~ Ha k-sh-ch ak-um. - I have a question.

Some commands:

Stadaibh! ~ Stat-iv - Stop!

Fuirichibh mionaid! ~ Fur-ich-iv min-itich - Wait a minute!

Siuthadibh ma-tha! ~ Shoe-it-iv ma-ha - Go on then!

Bruidhinnibh! ~ Bree-en-yiv - Speak!

Leughaibh! ~ Lay-iv - Read!

Èistibh! ~ ay-sh-ch-iv - Listen!

Freagairibh! ~ Frek-er-iv - Answer!

Seallaibh! ~ she-all-iv - Look!

Sgrìobhaibh! ~ Skreev-iv - Write!