

Chapter 38: Reading Simple Signs, Menus, and Labels

Arre boss! आज का topic ekदम practical hai – Reading Simple Signs, Menus, and Labels. Matlab wo chhoti-chhoti English likhawat jo tumhe bazaar, café, shop ya raste pe milती hai. Agar tum inhe samajh गए, toh life ekदम easy – warna board pe लिखा रहेगा “No Parking” aur tum wahan गाड़ी खड़ी कर doge... phir challan fix!

Signs, Menus, Labels क्या होते हैं?

- **Signs** (साइन / संकेत) = Board ya notice जो सूचना देता है.
Example: Stop, No Entry, Toilet, Exit.
- **Menus** (मेन्यू) = List of food & drinks in café/restaurant.
Example: Tea – 20 Rs, Pizza – 150 Rs.
- **Labels** (लेबल) = Products pe छोटी information.
Example: Milk – 1 Litre, Expiry Date – 20 Sept.

Hindi mein simple: Signs = board, Menus = khane ki list, Labels = product info.

कब काम आते हैं?

- (1) Travel करते समय - Bus Stand, Railway Station, Exit Sign.
- (2) Café / Restaurant mein order देने में.
- (3) Shopping karte waqt product dekha to samajhna - Price, Expiry, Size bagaira.

Shortcut: Ye chhoti likhawat English mein “mini teachers” की तरह hoti hai!

Example Sentences (20)

Reading Signs

- (1) Stop = रुक जाओ।
- (2) No Parking = गाड़ी पार्क न करें।
- (3) Exit = बाहर जाने का रास्ता।
- (4) Entrance = अंदर जाने का रास्ता।
- (5) Toilet = शौचालय।

Reading Menus

- (6) Tea – 20 Rs. = चाय – 20 रुपये।
- (7) Coffee – 30 Rs. = कॉफी – 30 रुपये।

- (8) Pizza – 150 Rs. = पिज़्ज़ा – 150 रुपये।
(9) Sandwich – 50 Rs. = सैंडविच – 50 रुपये।
(10) Water – Free. = पानी – मुफ्त।

Reading Labels

- (11) Milk – 1 Litre. = दूध – 1 लीटर।
(12) Sugar – 500 g. = चीनी – 500 ग्राम।
(13) Expiry Date – 20 Sept. = समाप्ति तिथि – 20 सितम्बर।
(14) Made in India. = भारत में बना।
(15) Keep in a cool place. = ठंडी जगह रखें।

More Practical Examples

- (16) Open. = खुला है।
(17) Closed. = बंद है।
(18) Ticket Counter. = टिकट खिड़की।
(19) Sale – 50% Off! = बिक्री – 50% छूट।
(20) Danger! High Voltage. = खतरा! तेज़ बिजली।

Vocabulary List (with phonetics + meaning)

- (1) Stop = रुकना (staap)
(2) Parking = गाड़ी खड़ी करना (paar-king)
(3) Exit = बाहर जाने का रास्ता (eg-zit)
(4) Entrance = प्रवेश द्वार (en-trens)
(5) Toilet = शौचालय (toi-let)
(6) Tea = चाय (tee)
(7) Pizza = पिज़्ज़ा (pi-zaa)
(8) Sandwich = सैंडविच (sand-wich)
(9) Label = लेबल (lei-bul)
(10) Expiry = समाप्ति (eks-pai-ree)
(11) Sale = बिक्री/छूट (seil)
(12) Ticket = टिकट (ti-ket)
(13) Milk = दूध (milk)

(14) Sugar = चीनी (shoo-gar)

(15) Danger = खतरा (dein-jar)

Funny Recap (Arre Yaar Style)

Boss, ab simple funda yaad रखो

- **Signs** = traffic aur jagah ki info (Stop, No Parking, Exit).
- **Menus** = khane-peene ki list (Tea, Pizza, Sandwich).
- **Labels** = product info (Expiry date, Price, Made in India).

Example masti:

- Tum café gaye aur menu mein देखा “Pizza – 150 Rs.” Tum बोले: “Arey yaar, yeh toh samose ke 15 plate ke barabar hai!”
- Aur signboard pe लिखा दिखा No Parking, fir bhi गाड़ी लगा दी – to fine bhi milega aur English ka lecture bhi!

Samjh gaye? Signs, menus aur labels ka English samajhna ekदम zaroori hai – warna ya toh bhukhe रह जाओगे ya challan bharoge!