

Telephone talk.

New words and expressions

Danish	English
Det	This/ it
Er	Is
Hos	At
Klip	Cut
Mad	Food
Hygge	Comfort/ cosiness
Og	And
Ja	Yes
En	A/an/one
Aftale	Deal/ agreement/ appointment
Godt	Good
Tak	Thank you
For	For
Farvel	Bye

Det er Louise.	This is Louise.
Det er hos Cofoco.	This is at Cofoco's.
Det er hos Klip 10.	This is at Klip 10's.
Hvad kan jeg hjælpe med?	How may I help you?
Jamen, så siger vi det.	Well, then, that's a deal.
Ja, det er en aftale.	Yes, it's a deal.
Tak for det.	Thank you (for this).

Idiomatic phrase

In idiomatic phrases, each word does not take on its exact literal meaning when the whole phrase is translated to another language. So you need to learn the phrase and its English equivalent as one vocabulary item. However, if you are curious to learn more, check the break down below. There you will find the literal meaning of each word.

Jamen, så siger vi det.	Well, then, that's a deal.
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Break down of the idiomatic phrase

Jamen	Well/ but/ yes but
Så	Then
Siger	Say
Vi	We
Det	It/ this

Challenge: The name of the restaurant

Did you manage to distinguish any sounds or words? Well the name of the restaurant that your friend recommended, is: **Mad og Hygge**

Pronunciation highlights

Det er	<i>is pronounced</i>	De'eh
Hvad kan jeg hjælpe med?	<i>is pronounced</i>	Vah ka'ya yelp meh?
Aftale	<i>is pronounced</i>	Ahwta'al

Learn, remember and use it forever!

First... Create flash cards! One for each word from the 'New words list' and one for each whole phrase. A flash card is a piece of cardboard with Danish on one side and English on the other. Or you can download the free software Anki, and make electronic flash cards. The program will space your repetitions for you according to how well you have learned each card. Download Anki: <http://ichi2.net/anki/>

(Don't make cards from the 'Break down of the phrase', just one card for each whole phrase.)

Then... Flip through your flash cards many times a week. Preferably every day.

And finally... Use these expressions whenever you have the chance. Never mind if you are having a conversation in English. Just go ahead and speak your Danish phrases! The reactions you get will probably be positive. Some people might even want to tell you other things you could also say in Danish. And just like that, you are having a real life language class – for free and without sitting for hours in a class!