



Lesson 2: You're Welcome in Dutch

Graag gedaan.

LESSON NOTES

In this lesson, we will continue to learn more phrases that will help you with basic etiquette. The Dutch are very hospitable. They use phrases of gratitude quite often. Even though you may not get the chance to use Graag gedaan, the phrase for "You're welcome," during your trip to the Netherlands, there's a very good chance you will hear it. So let's have a closer look at it!

In Dutch, "You're welcome" is Graag gedaan. Graag gedaan. Let's break it down by syllable. Graag ge-da-an. Now let's hear it once again. Graag gedaan. To recap, the words Graag gedaan mean, "You're welcome."

You can also respond to someone that has thanked you by using two very similar expressions. They are geen probleem, geen probleem, which means, "No problem," and Het is niets, Het is niets, which means, "It's nothing."

Geen probleem, let's break it down by syllable. Geen pro-bleem. Now let's hear it once again. Geen probleem.

Het is niets, let's break it down. Het is niets. Now let's hear it one more time. Het is niets.

Please remember, Geen probleem, "No problem," and Het is niets means, "It's nothing."

We can use any of these expressions, Graag gedaan, Geen probleem, and Het is niets, in any situation, formal or informal.

PHRASES

Dutch	English
Geen probleem.	No problem.
Graag gedaan.	You're welcome.
Het is niets.	It's nothing.

VOCABULARY

Dutch	English
niets	nothing

QUICK TIP

The words Graag gedaan have many meanings and we can use it in many different situations. We have looked at one of them today. When you want to say, "You're welcome," you can use Graag gedaan as a set phrase after Dank u wel. We will explain the other meanings of Graag gedaan in the next chapter.