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A Little Bit of Language Can Go a Long Way!

Hebrew

Lesson 1: Thank You!
תודה

LESSON NOTES

Wherever your destination may be, manners are necessary! In this respect, Israel is no different. In our very first lesson, we'll be teaching you a simple phrase that is bound to come in handy throughout your trip to Israel. I can't stress this enough, a little a bit of language can go such a long way!

In Hebrew, "Thank you" is "Toda".

You can emphasize "Toda" by adding "Raba," which literally means, "very much."

You could say "Toda raba", which would be equivalent to "Thank you very much" or "Thanks a lot."

In Hebrew, there are other ways to express one's gratitude. However, they are all variations using "Toda", which is a noun and the subject "Ani", which is a more formal "I thank you very much."

There will be occasions where you will really want to show your appreciation and politeness. During occasions such as these, you can use the subject "Ani".

In Hebrew, there are different ways to say, "I thank you" depending on the gender of the speaker and the listener. If a man is speaking, "I thank you" is "Ani mode lecha".

If a woman is speaking, "I thank you" is "Ani moda lach".

In both cases, we use the first word "Ani" ("I") to make the phrase formal.

PHRASES

Hebrew	Romanization	English
תודה	Toda	Thank you.
תודה רבה	Toda raba	Thank you very much or thanks a lot.
אני מודה לך	Ani mode lecha	I thank you. (male speaker, formal)
אני מודה לך	Ani moda lach	I thank you. (female speaker, formal)

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QUICK TIP

By far, "Toda" is the most common way to say "Thank you." Remember, when in doubt, it is always your safest bet to keep it simple. You don't have to worry about formal or informal situations. You can use "Toda" with just about anyone, anywhere, and anytime. You say "Toda" when the waiter brings your food or drinks, when the clerk in the hotel takes your luggage to your room (of course, throwing in a tip won't hurt either!), and when somebody welcomes you or congratulates you. It doesn't matter his or her profession or age, "Toda" or "Toda raba" will always be an appropriate response.