

## Second lesson –Greeting in Greek :-)

"Good morning"! = Kalimera ("καλημέρα")

"Good afternoon/evening"! = Kalispera ("καλησπέρα")

Now, when it comes to switching from "good morning" to "good afternoon", we're not very punctual in Greece; meaning that we do not start using "good afternoon"/"kalispera", right after midday, but according to our mood and the daylight; practically, after 2.00-3.00 pm we start to feel afternoon is coming our way, and then use "kalispera"..

What also affects us is that we do not have lunch usually until this hour of the day, as you know, anyway!

"Buon appetite"! = Kali orexi ("Καλή όρεξη")

"Goodnight"! = Kaliniechta ("καληνύχτα")

"Sweet dreams"! = òniera Ylieka ("Όνειρα γλυκά")

"See you (later)"! = Ta lème (metà) ("Τα λέμε μετά")

"Welcome"! = Kalosirthes! ("Καλωσήρθες")

When we are talking to more than one person, or being formal, this changes to "Kalosirthate"! ("Καλωσήρθατε"! =plural)

A funny story to close our 2nd happy course - probably many of you have all heard it already: One of our very dear guests at Castelli, quite a few years ago, on her first holidays with us, breakfast time.. she was eager to practice her Greek, learned the night before, at the hotel bar.. so came to the reception, waving at Spiros, shouting "Kalamari, kalamari Spiros"! Which does indeed sound similar to "Kalimera", nevertheless, as you might know.. "kalamari" in Greek stands for squid! So she was shouting "squid, squid!" hehehe :-)))

We also do this when we learn a foreign language☺