

Greetings on special occasions (Begrüßungen zu besonderen Anlässen)

- * The topic "Greetings" can be considered as a broad topic. Greetings are used both in formal and informal situations.
- * In this lesson, we are focusing on the greetings in German Language which are used on special occasions such as conveying wishes on someone's success, wishing someone before facing an exam, conveying wishes on a birthday etc.
- * In the following table, you can see only a few of the German greetings which are used on various special occasions. In English and Sinhala also, people use different types of greetings based on the context/ the situation.

Situation	Deutsch	English
Before facing an exam	Alles Gute!	All the best!
or an interview	Viel Glück!	Good luck!
After getting success	Herzlichen Glückwunsch!	Congratulations!
in something.		
Wishing on a birthday	Alles Gute zum Geburtstag!	Many happy returns of
		the day!
On a wedding	Eine glückliche Ehe!	A happy marriage!
When someone is sick	Gute Besserung!	Get well soon!



At a funeral	Mein Beileid!	My condolences!
Wishing for Christmas	Frohe Weihnachten!	Merry Christmas!
Wishing for the New Year	Frohes neues Jahr!	Happy New Year!
Wishing for the Easter!	Frohe Ostern!	Happy Easter!



- 1. Now write the suitable greeting for the special occasions given below.
- a. Your friend has won the cricket match.

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b. Your brother is going for an interview.

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c. You have attended a funeral.

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d. Your friend at USA is celebrating Christmas.

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e. It is your sister's birthday.

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